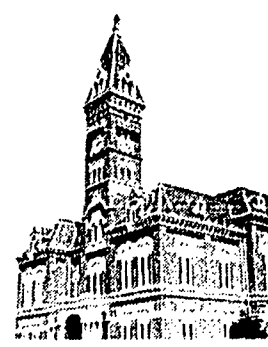




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What happened?

The Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity house caught on fire just before 11 p.m. Saturday night.

What was lost?

The house, particularly the third floor, was completely destroyed, and residents lost most of their belongings.

TKE HOUSE IN RUINS



Where are they?

Some of the house residents are living on campus, while others are staying with friends.

Want to help?

Send contributions in care of TKE fraternity to First Bank CBC at 105 N. Main, or contact 582-7454 for more information.

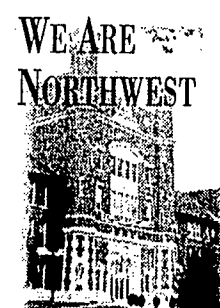
Sifting through the ashes



Maryville firefighters battle a blaze that engulfed the second and third floors of the Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity house late Saturday night. Although the water and fire damage was extensive, TKE members were able to retrieve some personal and charter items.

COPING WITH LOSS

Members try to recoup after losses



TKE men search for personal belongings in fire's charred aftermath

by Jacob DiPietre
Chief Reporter

Water dripped off the charred remains of the inside of the Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity house earlier this week, as members rummaged for any piece of memorabilia or belongings they could find.

The house caught on fire Saturday night, and the 16 men who lived there were stripped of their home, all they owned and an important part of their fraternity — all in one night. Those living on campus also suffered loss. New member Tim Curran said he feels left out of memories that he could have had in the house.

"I'm cheated out so many memories in that house," Curran said. "Just like everyone else."

Memories are the only thing left as Jay Davidson said he under-

stands how Curran feels. Davidson is a fifth-year senior and pledged the fraternity in the fall of 1993. Davidson said he felt like a part of him died with the house, but he will always have the memories.

"I felt empty inside when I saw the house on fire," Davidson said. "I have a lot of memories in that house — the house is gone but the memories are still here."

Like Curran, many members feel something was stolen from them. House manager Mac Lee said he had to start all over, but he is still upbeat about his future as well as the future of the fraternity.

"I had to find a new place to live and find a new place to hang out," Lee said. "I feel saddened about what happened but remain optimistic about the future."

While Lee has a bright outlook,



Greg Dalrymple/Photography Director
Craig Ulrich, Tau Kappa Epsilon member, reacts to the destruction of the TKE fraternity house Saturday.

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Fire puts damper on week

by Rob J. Brown
University News Editor

The Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity lost more than a house and some belongings Saturday night — it also lost decades of memories.

A blaze ignited the house, 222 W. Cooper, at 10:50 p.m. Saturday, officials said. It began in a vacant room on the third floor and eventually spread throughout that floor and partially onto the second.

Although the fire troubled firefighters until well into the morning and engulfed a significant portion of the house, no casualties occurred.

Throughout the week the organization continues to deal with the fire that ruined their home and destroyed memories of the turn-of-the-century home.

Ben Haskamp, TKE member, was the first of the occupants to catch the signals of the fire. He and Tracy Bottoms, new member educator, flushed the house of the three other occupants and called 911 shortly after.

Joe Brannen, chapter president, was awakened by Bottoms and rushed out of the house, without clear knowledge of what was going on.

"Next thing I know I was outside," Brannen said. "I rounded the corner of the house and flames were already shooting out of one of the windows."

Public Safety officers arrived to the scene in minutes, while the first pumper began combating the fire 60 seconds later.

Lt. Phil Rickabaugh, Maryville Public Safety fire division, lives only a block from the fraternity house and realized this fire would be devastating.

"I knew right then when I walked out my door that we had a pretty good working fire on our hands," Rickabaugh said.

In the initial attack, firefighters took a pump into the house, attempting to slow the fire from the interior. But after reaching as far as the second floor landing, the two crew members backed out in care of personal danger.

"We sent a team inside for an interior attack to try to go up and

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University examines learning

Former Stanford professor urges Northwest to look at new method

by Lonelle R. Rathje
Editor in Chief

Quick reader.

A fast grasp on the situation.

Who spoke?

The president of the Jackson Hole Higher Education Group visited Northwest.

What did he say?

He is advocating an Accelerated Learning Methodology at colleges in place of traditional learning. Will Northwest adopt this?

Right now, the University is just looking into the issue, not making any final decisions.

Employers are not searching for merely a college graduate, rather they are looking for graduates who have mastered their fields — a characteristic today's graduates lack.

Or so said William Massy, president of The Jackson Hole Higher Education Group and former director of the Stanford (University) Institute for Higher Education Research.

He paid a visit to Northwest Tuesday with a two-fold agenda: To not only assess the networking computer plan, but also to primarily discuss the Accelerated Learning Methodology.

Employing Accelerated Learning could possibly change the traditional learning environment of a typical Northwest class.

Some students now slip through courses with low grades, having never mastered the curriculum; however, in the world of Accelerated Learning, students cannot move on to another class until they have met the mastery requirements.

University President Dean Hubbard stressed that in this world, time is the variable, and the focus on learning is the constant.

Days of merely listening to passive lectures would be synonymous with a past era. Rather, professors would act as mentors, turning student teams loose to utilize hands-on technology en route to mastering the coursework.

"We really want to empower the amount of quality time with the students," Massy said.

It is the students' prerogative to test out of the course at their own pace, ultimately resulting in graduating earlier for some.

Massy said these net results would alleviate current employer concerns that today's college graduates are ill prepared for their fields.

"I think there is room for when the world shifts in technology as it has now, that the institutions that were stronger in the old world will not be stronger in the new world," he said. "This is simply because they don't have the initiative to change."

Because technology changes communication, Massy said faculty must find ways to shift from a passive to an interactive teaching model.

"We are in the early stages of learning how to build technology into higher education," Massy said. "Technology is not an education. It's training. That's where you build the human interaction into it."

So Massy sees Northwest as the leader in this change, which was why he discussed components of the teaching method with 26 faculty Tuesday — some of whom have already implemented similar teaching methodologies.

Although Northwest may not integrate Accelerated Learning for an indefinite period of time, the chemistry/physics department is among a few University departments that have explored new, more interactive teaching methods.

For example, John Shaw, assistant professor of physics, is in his first year of using a studio class method. It centers around integrating interactive lectures, homework and experiments into a lab setting where students can see the relationship of each element.

Assessing the quality of this teaching style is still

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School district prepares for accreditation visit

by Scott Summers
Chief Reporter

The Maryville School Board met Wednesday night to discuss upcoming business issues within the district.

Coming up Dec. 2-4, the Missouri School Improvement Program Review Team will visit the school district. The MSIP team will determine the district's accrediting.

Maryville Superintendent Gary Bell said the district will be ready for the visit since the middle of last year, Bell said.

The Board also said the Project Review Team chose five architectural firms of the 15 that applied to the Board to interview.

Firms chosen include Dana Larson Roubal & Associates, Frangkiser & Hutchens, Gould Evans Goodman Associates, WRS Inc. and Leo A. Daly.

Bell said the team reviewed firms in many different areas in hopes of finding the best one.

"All 15 are quality firms, but the team thought these five were the best," Bell said. "The Board will have a number of questions for each firm (at the interviews)."

The Board has scheduled the interviews for Dec. 4-5.

The Board also announced the dates for candidates to file for the April 1 School Board election.

Candidates may file between Dec. 17 and Jan. 14. Candidates must file at the administration office at the high school.

A recommendation was made to the Board that if consider cutting regular business meetings to one per month, instead of the current two. The Board will consider the recommendation at its next scheduled meeting at 7 p.m. Dec. 3 in the administration building.

Agents charge man in local woman's death

Colorado inmate faces federal prosecution for 1990 homicide

by Ruby Dittmer
Community News Editor

A federal grand jury in Kansas City indicted a Colorado man Wednesday in relation to a homicide that allegedly occurred in Maryville six years ago.

Herbert J. "Tug" Emery, 42, of Kersey, Colo., is charged with one count of murder in relation to major drug trafficking. He is also charged with one count of murder with the intent to prevent the communication of information to a federal law enforcement officer, said U.S. attorneys D. Michael Green and Matt J. Whitworth in a press release delivered by Stephen L. Hill Jr., U.S. attorney of the western district of Missouri at a press conference Wednesday.

Emery is charged in the Aug.

4, 1990, death of 32-year-old Christine A. Elkins, a Maryville resident. Elkins had been working as an informant for state and federal law enforcement agencies in the investigation of methamphetamine trafficking in the Maryville area.

Keith Wood, director of Maryville Public Safety, described the case as "a six-year-old homicide that we are starting from scratch six years later."

Wood also said the investigation was initiated through law enforcement means over the past six years.

"Maryville Public Safety has been involved with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms investigating a very complex homicide that we believe to be associated with narcotics trafficking in and around Maryville," Wood said.

Wood also said the indictment

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Greg Dalrymple/Photography Director
Stephen L. Hill Jr., U.S. attorney for the western district of Missouri, speaks at a press conference Wednesday regarding the case of a Colorado man charged with the murder of a Maryville woman who was reported missing six years ago. The press conference took place in the Council chambers in City Hall.

OurView

OF THE CAMPUS

University aids Greeks after fire engulfs house

Even before the last flames had been distinguished at the Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity house Saturday night, questions were flying:

- Where will they stay tonight?
- What about their clothes, money, computers and other personal belongings?
- How will they finish their coursework with no books or research?
- Will they be able to save their charter?
- Can they save anything at all?
- What are they going to do now?

Luckily and swiftly, Northwest and the community stepped in during a time of need.

For this, all the good Samaritans in our town should be commended for their selfless acts of kindness after a true hell week for one of Northwest's Greek organizations.

The examples of their generosity shine through the despair:

- Northwest offered the 16 men who were made homeless by the fire a place to live on campus.

Instead of paying for a semester's stay, they can pay just for the nights they stay.

Some opted to take the offer while

the others chose to stay and live with friends.

• The University is not charging the students for the textbooks that were destroyed and will supply replacement books.

• Two of the fraternity members belong to EC+ and suffered the loss of their laptop computers.

Northwest has supplied two loaner computers so the students can finish the semester.

In addition, the Greek community has stepped up to the challenge of helping an organization in need.

Some groups have donated money, while others have provided food or offered housing.

Volunteer residents stepped in on the cold, rainy night of the fire to give members

coffee and to warm up their cars so the TKEs had a refuge from the cold.

Tragedy always seems to bring out the best in people, which makes up for the heartbreaking reality of a devastating fire.

We would like to think that the University would take these generous measures for anyone who suffers a debilitating tragedy.

Let's just hope the school never has to.



OurView

OF THE COMMUNITY

Holidays signal time to assist one another

As the weather gets colder and we head off to the shopping centers to buy consumer goods for our loved ones, it's also time to remember those who need a little help getting through this season.

Sometimes we need to help those who can't afford to pay their heating bill, let alone buy into the holiday joy.

Sometimes we need to help those who have recently undergone a tragedy such as a fire.

It's important to remember that needy families exist everywhere, not just in the big city.

There are opportunities to help those around you, even the smallest of towns. On campus, students can donate money directly from their Aladdin accounts, making it easy to donate to a family for Thanksgiving. Although this seems like a simple idea, this is the first year for this program.

In the community, food and clothing drives collect donations year round, with an emphasis on the holiday season. Although pay envelopes and collection boxes can be seen during the warmest months, it's when the bell ringers are found in shopping center doorways that we're most selfless.

Yes, giving never needs a season, but the cold, winter months combined with the warmth of holiday cheer make it easier to convince residents to donate to a worthy cause.

It can be hard to walk by the collection bin with your holiday parcels and not give something to those that you know will be needing it during the holiday season.

Giving means more than emptying your cupboards of canned water chestnuts. If you give food, make it non-perishable items you'd want to eat — canned fruits, macaroni, biscuit mix, dried milk, soups, baby food and crackers.

Don't forget other items including clothing, towels, blankets and personal hygiene products.

And perhaps the least expensive and most important contribution — time. Take some time to work at a shelter or deliver goods to those in need. Deliver meals to the homebound.

Call someone who needs to talk to a friend. Write a letter to the black sheep of the family. Open your heart instead of just your pocketbook. We're all willing to open our pocketbooks to fight off the guilt of not giving, but few of us are willing to donate our time. It's the one thing we have equal amounts of and the one thing we waste the most.

So as you sit down to give thanks for all that's given to you, remember those who are huddled around a slightly less-groaning table.

It is better to give than to receive. This year, let's take that to heart.



MyTurn

Values and ethics change in life



Jennifer Ward

Life is not what you always want it to be

My mother arrives in town tonight. I'll be heading off to the airport to pick her up and then it's three fun-packed days in Maryville.

Don't get me wrong, I love my mom. She gave birth to me. She raised me on her own for several years and then with a good man for several more. We get along great — when there's a couple of state lines between us.

It seems that somewhere along the line our values and ethics changed. For a long time we sought different things from life, and now we're both trying to figure out who we are. I always wanted the mom who knew who she was, the one who helped me with my homework every night, the one who always baked cookies for my friends and me. You know, a combination of June Cleaver and "Cybill."

My mom, on the other hand, always wanted the daughter who wore dresses to school, the one who

color coordinated her barrettes and socks, the one with a raging social life.

What we both got stuck with is a different story. I got a mom who has been divorced twice and is now with the "man of her dreams." She's made her way into the computer age by marrying a man she met through e-mail.

My mom got a daughter who doesn't know any of the rules concerning wearing white on Labor Day or matching pinstripes and plaids. I'm the kind of daughter who'd rather spend all day shopping for a new Macintosh than new Buster Browns.

We're getting along, though. Perhaps this weekend will be a test of our new-found friendship. Although we've always loved each other (isn't that a rule about family — you've got to love 'em?), we haven't really liked each other in quite a while.

It seems that graduation looming

on the horizon has given me the strength to tell my mom some of the facts of my life. I'm spending less time trying to please her and more time pleasing myself (not that classes are giving me much time).

And my mother's change of address and last name has given her the strength to face some of the mistakes she made in the past. We're both finding out who we are by looking at who we've been.

Overall it's pretty cool.

So while I'm pacing at the airport waiting for her flight to come in I'll still be nervous, but this time it'll be different. The pressure to impress isn't there. The pressure of being the perfect daughter isn't there. All I have to do is be myself.

Now I just wish I knew what to wear.

Jennifer Ward is the web editor for the Northwest Missourian.

MyTurn

Fast-paced city creates an aura of rudeness



Jackie Tegen

Chicago residents treat each other in uncivil manner

I admit that until late last week, I, along with most of the Maryville residents, took our quaint little town for granted. The small town atmosphere, the smiles from older residents and the silence of the streets at night, although pleasant, can at times feel boring.

Being from Kansas City, I have always enjoyed the sounds of horns, sirens and laughter coming from the downtown streets. Even though it technically was the "big city," I can honestly say I never felt that Kansas City had an aura of rudeness.

Chicago, on the other hand, does. My visit in this city not only left me tired and windblown, but also distressed with the way I was treated and with the way that Chicago residents treated each other.

The adventure started when I asked the concierge where the workout facilities were. Instead of answering my question, she snapped off assumptions of my right to use the workout station. My mouth only dropped farther when instead of apologizing, she blamed me for her outburst. Upon cooling off, I chalked this experience up to chance and set off for Michigan Avenue.

After dodging car upon car, I finally reached the street and immediately began to window shop. It was not 30 seconds later and I was being pushed and thrown around the sidewalk by people coming from both directions. I felt like one of the revolving doors that, needless to say, I was trapped in most of the day by the hustle and bustle of afternoon shoppers.

Understanding that Chicago is a more fast-paced world than Maryville, I quickened my pace and dodged the shoulders of the barefooted shoppers. Stopping at a cross walk to catch my breath and wait for the light, I noticed an older gentleman with a walker.

The light changed and the race began. I only had a few moments to glance back with the rush of the crowd to watch the man being swept away by the hurried streetwalkers.

By this time I had had enough. I stared at the people passing me in hopes that I could catch a smile, a smirk, something that would instill in me that someone had a gleam of kindness in them. What I found were looks that stared through me. Through my eyes I saw several people on the

go, but no one around me saw anything except their destination.

It took a trip to the 94th floor of the John Hancock Building to retrieve my hope in society. As I looked out the window onto the city below, I compromised. I put myself in their shoes. I accepted the fact that it is all too easy to get caught up in your duties rather than your surroundings.

Yet as I noticed my surroundings a wave of understanding passed over me. Instead of focusing on the rude people I encountered, I thought of the people I met who were the heart and soul of Chicago. I thought of Stan from packaging who delivered the boxes we needed with a smile, the busboy who helped us with directions and the people that held the door when they noticed I was behind them. It was those people that made Chicago a positive place to visit.

To all those people, Stan and the busboy, I say thanks for making the little town atmosphere alive in the harsh big city.

Jackie Tegen is a contributing writer for the Northwest Missourian.

LETTERS

Get out and cheer

Dear Editor,
I think Pitt State came in and made a statement that they are really behind their team! We can't even get that many people to a home game much less an away game.

I would really like to apologize to the Bearcat football team because there isn't much fan support for a team that was undefeated going into the game on Saturday.

Being a Bearcat cheerleader for four years, this has to have been the biggest game in Bearcat history. I had a fan ask me (with a Northwest Cheerleading jacket on) to sit down. I was in the stands trying to get the fans to yell, clap and make noise when she made that comment. However, I was very unsuccessful. What a disappointment to the football team when they don't feel like their fans care.

Please, if you are going to come to the games, make some noise, clap your hands and get on your feet. The football team really appreciates it and so do the cheerleaders.

If you were at the game Saturday you saw the stands filled with red. If only we could have the stands filled with green at every game.

Get out there and support your 10-1 conference champs because they have come so far. Thank you

to those fans that cheer, come to the away games and stay the entire game. See you Saturday in Omaha.

Carrie Belcher, Northwest cheerleading captain

Signs are unwelcome

Dear Editor,
As a Northwest student I want to express my concern about something that has been a recent topic of discussion on campus. One of the fraternities has signs posted advertising a fund-raiser they call a "Slave Auction." I, along with other students, find the use of that phrase offensive and racist. This is a University that is supposed to be committed to the idea of multi-culturalism and equal opportunity. We all know what image the words "slave auction" refers to in American culture. The use of those words does nothing but glorify a terrible time in our history.

Morris Dees, an attorney famous for his prosecution of white supremacy groups, spoke on campus last Tuesday night. He told a story about a 20-year-old black college student who was hanged by the Klu Klux Klan as an example to blacks. As I listened to that story, I wondered how it could be possible that today in the United States a young man could be murdered because of the color of skin. The answer is that it is possible because of the atmo-

sphere we create.

Pretending not to hear when someone makes a racist comment, not caring when a company like Texaco is found to be racist and saying that a sign is just a sign and doesn't really mean anything, are all ways that we make it possible for groups like the KKK to exist in our society. Most of us are not racist and do not support white supremacists, but most of us are not doing anything about it either. We all have the power to change our society. Let's start by paying attention to the language and images we use on this campus.

Jennifer Ellis, sociology major

Conduct disrespectful

Dear Editor,
Saturday, Nov. 16, 1996: Bearcats vs. Gorillas.

Rickenbrode Stadium was filled as Northwest fans turned out in force. Unfortunately, more than a select few individuals left their common sense and sportsmanship, or lack thereof, was disgraceful and an embarrassment to the University.

I have traveled and watched the 'Cats play from the 1989 season (their last play-off appearance) through the low periods of the early 1990s. I have never seen such atrocious conduct. From throwing bananas, programs and toilet paper, to stealing the Pitt

State cheerleaders' sign, the behavior was deplorable.

The actions of these fans has given a bad name to all Bearcat backers and the University in general. If these individuals cannot cheer for the athletic teams in a true sense of sportsmanship, they should stay home. The Bearcats need support, but not from the socially immature fans I witnessed on Saturday.

True sportsmanship is about cheering for your team; rain or shine, win or lose. It's not about taunting and ridiculing opposing fans, cheerleaders, coaches and players. Behavior like that is simply disgraceful.

Rodney Lin Plerson, graduate student

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NorthwestView

Parking problems continue to plague Northwest



Sharon Meadows

Campus Safety director focuses on solutions to parking issue

I have been fortunate in my life to have had the opportunity to experience the uniqueness of many cultures — Germany, Honduras, the East Coast and the west coast. The Midwest is no exception to my experience that every place is special and has beauty and qualities that make it a place that people are proud to call home. I am looking forward to enjoying the many sites and activities that I have heard much about. In the mean time, Northwest enjoys most of my time.

Unfortunately, my primary focus has been on the parking program.

I have met with different groups and interests on campus to assist in evaluating the parking program and develop strategies to reduce the difficulties we all experience. However, I must admit, I do think the commuter students have had the most difficulty finding parking. Before some of the lot designations were changed, there were three times more commuter permits issued than designated commuter spaces available. Now, the count is closer to two permits for one

parking space.

Several groups on campus continue to review the lot utilization, Traffic Court appeal approvals and signage ambiguity. The results have been several recommended changes that would better designate parking lots to reflect the usage, allow for clear signage and not reduce parking spaces for those (faculty/staff and commuter students) who search for parking daily.

The most recent recommended and approved changes have focused on the difficulty in lot 26, north of the library. I have been told, about a year ago that 26 of the spaces were designated for commuters in a lot that was all-resident parking. The problem has been making signage clear to everyone who enters the lot. So, following the recommendation of the Traffic Court, lot 26 will be changed back to resident parking starting Monday, Nov. 25. To address the loss of 26 spaces in lot 26, lot 17A will be for commuter students, faculty and staff only.

I suppose all this leads to the parking

tickets. Since September, 5,071 parking tickets have been issued to 2,806 violators. Of the violators, 1,824 (65 percent) received one ticket, 872 (31.08 percent) received 2-5 tickets, 106 (3.78 percent) received 6-15 tickets and 4 (0.14 percent) received 16 or more tickets; 1,539 (30.35 percent) tickets were issued to permit-holders who parked in areas designated for others, 2,032 (40.07 percent) tickets were issued to unregistered vehicles for failure to register or display a current parking permit and 1,500 (29.58 percent) tickets were issued for other violations. So the daily average Monday through Friday has been 100 tickets issued. There is usually 150 spaces available in lot 18, west of Mary Linn Performing Arts Center.

Given all this data, it is the opinion of many that available parking is not the issue. It is the availability of prime parking. It's only an opinion and we all know that everybody has one of those.

Sharon Meadows is the campus safety director for Northwest.

MyTurn

Hemp legalization leads to environmental benefits



Laurie Den Ouden

Even deep-rooted hatred of drug takes a back seat to benefits of marijuana

People are gradually becoming more environmentally conscious. As we begin to remove from our self serving ways, there have to be solutions to such problems as forest depletion, energy crisis, cleaner air and so much more.

Recently, a friend of mine enlightened my outlook on hemp, also known as cannabis or marijuana. I have always been the hypocrite in many people's eyes. I drank, often excessively and got myself into a lot of trouble, but on the other hand, I was an anti-drug activist and continually lectured people about drugs.

My hatred for "drugs" (my definition of drugs) constantly got me into arguments with many friends and people that I really cared for. They just labeled me the b-tch and tuned me out. But that didn't stop me, it only made me push harder to make them listen and understand.

I knew in a sense I was being a hypocrite, but I still felt so strongly about it that I argued my point profusely. (arguing is one of my best qualities ... and I'm never wrong) My argument was alcohol is only illegal if you are underage, but that didn't work because I am underage. So then I began to rationalize a little differently. I have seen so many

friends start out with pot and gradually move on to "bigger and better things." They began to try speed, heroin and cocaine. Then they saw the huge money potential and began to sell the stuff and score the easy cash.

I saw the way it tore them down and their families apart. They no longer cared about anything or anyone. The famous line became "I don't care what people think of me." It really got to me, and my way of fighting back was to "rag" on them.

For the first time the other night, I had a positive conversation with a friend I was concerned about. He listened to me and my viewpoint and I his.

Now, getting back to how I started this column out, the only reason he got me to listen was because of the benefits of hemp. If this was once again legalized in the United States, we could greatly profit both environmentally and economically.

Growing hemp actually gives back to the earth instead of taking from it. It doesn't strip the nutrients from the soil. During the growing season, hemp periodically sheds its leaves, both keeping moisture in and creating more topsoil.

Hemp can be used to make clothes instead of the infamous cotton. Cotton does

strip the earth of nutrients and takes longer to grow.

Hemp may also be used to make paper. Here's the big deal: It will begin to solve that pesky little problem called deforestation that has many problems all in itself.

There are just so many benefits to this widely-known plant, but so many people have their own connotation for the word marijuana. It is instilled in our heads that drugs are bad, and yes, marijuana is a drug. Although, when grown for industrial purposes the THC (the intoxication ingredient in marijuana) is so low that it is basically useless.

The reason marijuana was outlawed in the first place was due to fear of competition. It was hurting the new textile industries and the big companies started a campaign stating that marijuana was bad and Americans had a huge problem with it. So eventually, Congress went along with this idea and it has been illegal ever since.

I still have a fear of this substance being legalized, but the more and more I research its benefits, the more I am being convinced of its importance.

Laurie Den Ouden is the copy assistant for the Northwest Missourian.

IT'S YOUR TURN

What are you thankful for?



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"Thankful that I get to go home over Thanksgiving and see all my family."

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PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

November 13

■ Fire units responded to a local business because its fire alarm had been activated. Upon arrival it was determined that someone had been cooking and scorched the pan, which activated the smoke detector.

■ An officer served a Municipal Court warrant for failure to appear to James A. Riley, 23, Maryville. He was released after posting bond.

■ An officer served a Municipal Court warrant to Christopher J. Hendren, 23, Maryville, for failure to appear. He was released after posting bond.

■ Heather V. Gore, Maryville, was traveling east on Fourth Street when Kathleen M. Baudino, Maryville, pulled into her path from Walnut Street. Gore struck Baudino, pushing her vehicle across the road and into Chia J. Lin, Maryville, who was stopped at a posted stop sign on North Walnut Street. A citation for failure to yield was issued to Baudino.

November 14

■ An employee of a local business reported that the air conditioning unit to the business was damaged. It was pushed off its concrete base, the grate on the corner was bent and the copper cooling hose on back of the unit was broken.

■ After receiving complaints of a trash violation in the 500 block of South Buchanan Street, a summons was issued to David B. Judd, 31, Maryville, for violating the city's trash ordinance.

■ An officer served a Municipal Court warrant for failure to appear on Earl D. Reno, 41, Maryville. He was released after posting bond.

■ Stacy R. Miller, Maryville, was attempting to make a turn from a private drive onto Seventh Street and pulled into the path of Phillip J. Simpson, Maryville, who was eastbound on Seventh Street. A citation for failure to yield was issued to Miller.

■ Officers responded to a domestic dispute in Hopkins. Robert E. Gigger, 20, Hopkins, was arrested on charges of assault and released on a summons.

November 15

■ An officer was on patrol in the 1000 block of South Main when he observed a vehicle pull from a private drive and fishtail back and forth in the roadway. The vehicle was stopped and while talking with the driver, Geoffrey S. Kramer, 22, Maryville, an odor of intoxicants was detected. He was asked to perform field sobriety tests which he could not complete successfully.

He was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated after his blood alcohol content tested over the legal limit. He was also issued a citation for excessive acceleration.

■ A 1987 Mitsubishi was towed from the 200 block of West Fourth Street where it was illegally parked.

■ A Maryville male reported the theft of a newspaper rack from the 1300 block of South Main Street. Estimated value was \$150.

■ While an officer was on patrol in the 500 block of North Buchanan, he observed male subjects walking and carrying bottles of beer. When they saw the patrol unit they attempted to conceal the bottles from the officer. They continued walking and sat the bottles on the bumper of a parked vehicle. The subjects were stopped and identified as Joseph P. Casady, 18, and Eric M. Irwin, 19, both of Maryville. They were issued summons for minor in possession.

■ An officer took a report from a Maryville male who reported the theft of seven flags and flagpoles. They were green with a white paw print and attached to utility poles in the 600 block of College Ave. The flags belonged to an organization. Estimated value was \$280.

■ Brianne L. Giles, Kansas City, and William J. O'Riley, Maryville, were both traveling north on Main Street in the turning lane. O'Riley was slowing down to stop when his vehicle was struck in the rear by Giles. A citation was issued to Giles.

■ Taffie J. Martin and Judy A. Bryant, both of Maryville, were traveling west on Fourth Street. Bryant turned into a parking stall and her vehicle was struck in the rear by Martin. Martin received citations for careless and imprudent driving and failure to secure a child in an approved child restraint.

■ Cynthia A. Schmitz, Ravenwood, and Libby J. Luckert, Maryville, were both traveling west on First Street. Schmitz was traveling in the inside lane and Luckert was traveling in the outside lane. Schmitz proceeded to change lanes and struck Luckert. A citation was issued to Schmitz for improper lane change.

■ Adam B. Lehmer, 21, Maryville, was arrested on an Andrew County warrant for passing bad checks.

■ Scott C. Meyer, 17, Maryville, was arrested on charges of minor in possession of intoxicants. He was released on a summons. A juvenile subject was also referred to the juvenile office.

■ Justin D. Armstrong, 20, and James L. Meyer, 19, both of Maryville, were arrested on charges of minor in possession.

They were both released on summons.

November 16

■ An employee of a local business reported that a female subject had left without paying for \$12.25 worth of gasoline.

■ A Maryville female reported the theft of three stone figurines from her business. Two were small boys and one was a rabbit. Estimated value was between \$100-150.

■ A local business reported that four Sharp Viewcams had been taken from the business without being paid for. Estimated value was \$3,226.

■ Fire units responded to the Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity house at 222 W. Cooper St. in reference to a structure fire. Upon arrival, smoke and flames were observed coming from a dormer on the south side of the roof and the fire spread throughout the top floor. The fire spread throughout the top two floors, but was brought under control. Five residents were present and escaped without injury. They said they smelled an odor when they walked into the hallway of the second floor. Later, they observed smoke and heat coming from the upstairs. They located the room that the heat and smoke was coming from and called Public Safety. Preliminary indications showed a malfunction with a space heater as the cause of the fire.

November 17

■ A Maryville male reported that person(s) had entered his residence. Drawers had been pulled out and dumped. Approximately \$85 was missing.

November 18

■ Keri A. Protzman, Maryville, was traveling north on Vine Street and while she was attempting to turn, she entered into the path of Chad A. Pedersen, Maryville. Pedersen could not stop in time to avoid the collision. A citation was issued to Pedersen for exceeding the posted speed limit and to Protzman for failure to yield.

■ Vickie Colvin, Maryville, was parked in the Maryville High School parking lot when her vehicle was struck by another vehicle that left the scene.

■ Erik P. Drake, Maryville, was backing his vehicle from a private drive and struck the vehicle of David A. Leivan, Maryville, who was southbound on Mulberry Street. Drake received a citation for careless and imprudent driving.

STUDENT/FACULTY DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE

Editor's Note:

For more information concerning the University's Judicial Code, refer to pages 45-52 in the 1996-97 Student Handbook.

October 24

■ In a case carried over from the spring session, a male student was charged with driving while intoxicated, endangering the health and safety of himself and others and failure to comply. He was found in violation of all three charges. As a result of the charges, he was dismissed for one year starting at the end of the fall semester, put on strict campus conduct probation and fined \$200.

■ In a case carried over from the spring session, a male student was charged with endangering the health and safety of himself and possession of drug paraphernalia. He was found in violation of both. He was placed on strict campus conduct probation, not including sections D-2 or D-4 of the University's Judicial Code, through May 17, 1997. He was also ordered to attend the After Hours program and fined \$75.

October 29

■ In a case carried over from the

spring session, a male student was charged with violating quiet/courtesy hours, failure to comply and violation of probation charge. He was found to be in violation of all three charges and placed on strict campus conduct probation through May 17, 1997, not including section D-4.

■ In a case carried over from the spring session, a female student was charged with a visitation violation, violating quiet/courtesy hours and violating her probation. She was found to be in violation of all charges and placed on strict campus conduct probation, not including section D-2 or D-4, through May 17, 1997. She was also fined \$25.

■ In a case carried over from the spring session, a male student was found to be in violation of quiet/courtesy hours and in violation of his probation. He was placed on strict campus conduct probation through May 17, 1997, restricted from entering the residence halls and fined \$50.

■ A male student was charged with operating a vehicle without a valid driver's license and was found to be in violation of the charge. He was placed on strict campus conduct probation, excluding section C, through May 17, 1997. He is also restricted from operating or parking a vehicle on campus for the duration of his probation.

CAMPUS SAFETY REPORTS

November 11

■ Campus Safety was dispatched to Millikan Hall in reference to a physical confrontation outside.

■ An officer was dispatched to Wilson Hall to investigate property damage to two doors.

November 14

■ Campus Safety was dispatched to investigate property damage done to

a vehicle parked in a campus lot.

November 15

■ Campus Safety was notified of activated fire alarms on the sixth and seventh floors of Dieterich Hall.

November 18

■ Campus Safety received a complaint of a peculiar odor coming from a room in Cook Hall.

OBITUARIES

Florence Newton

Florence Maxine Newton, 75, Maryville, died Nov. 12 at her home in Maryville.

She was born June 21, 1921, to Verney and Golda Beck in New Market, Iowa.

Survivors include one son, Donald Halstead; two daughters, Joyce Komers and Patricia Halstead; nine grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Services took place Nov. 16 at Price Funeral Home in Maryville.

Mary McBride

Mary McBride, 85, Barnard, died Nov. 14 at Maryville Health Care Center in Maryville.

She was born Oct. 29, 1911, to George and Maud May Sell in Barnard.

Survivors include two sons, Darrell and George; two daughters, Marilyn Hilsabeck and Kathleen Sexson; nine grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and two sisters.

Services took place Nov. 18 at Price Funeral Home in Maryville.

NEW ARRIVALS

Sydne Maelea Messner

Paul and Marla Messner, Graham, are the parents of Sydne Maelea, born Nov. 6 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

She weighed 8 pounds, 5 ounces. Grandparents are Marian and Raymond Mick, Skidmore, and Rhonda and Paul Roger Messner, Graham.

Austin Nicholas Rutherford

Scott and Carmen Rutherford, Fillmore, are the parents of Austin Nicholas, born Nov. 8 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He weighed 9 pounds, 5 ounces. Grandparents are Vic McGaughey, Moberly; Hazel Burnstein, St. Joseph; and Mary Rutherford, Fillmore.

Charles Joseph Anderson II

Charles and Nina Anderson, Stanberry, are the parents of Charles Joseph II, born Nov. 11 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He weighed 7 pounds, 4 ounces. Grandparents are Mary Bennett, Rosendale; and Kay and Jerry McMillian, Stanberry.

Isaac Rexmon Weed

Donnie and Shannon Weed, Bedford, Iowa, are the parents of Isaac Rexmon, born Nov. 12 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He weighed 8 pounds, 6 ounces. Grandparents are Rexmon and Barbara Hawn and Glenna Weed, all of Bedford.

Stacy Nichole Fisher

Kevin and Carla Fisher, Gentry, are the parents of Stacy Nichole, born Nov. 13 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

She weighed 9 pounds, 8 ounces. Grandparents are Doyn Jacobs, Worth; and Opal Fisher, Grant City.

Austin Lee Rickabaugh

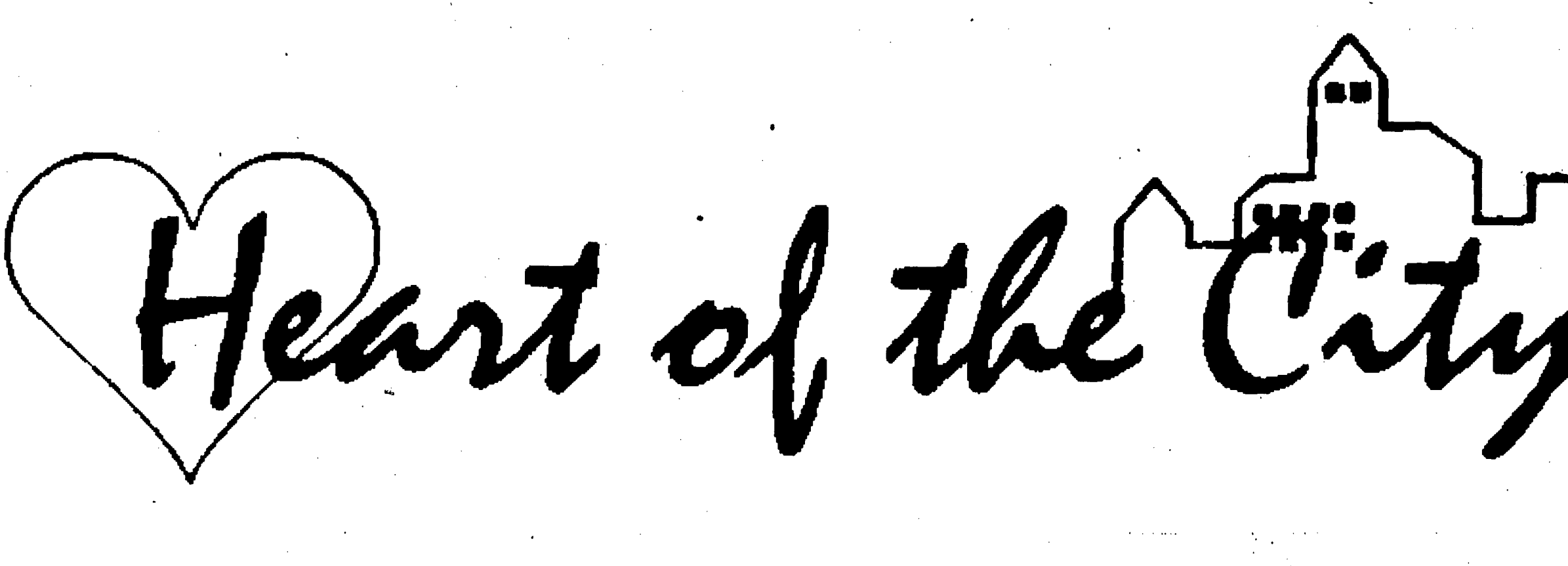
Todd and Rachelle Rickabaugh, Maryville, are the parents of Austin Lee, born Nov. 14 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He weighed 8 pounds. Grandparents are Marlin Heflin, Ann M. Heflin and Lynn and Nancy Rickabaugh, all of Maryville.

Dakota Bryan Beemer

James and Johnna Beemer, Maryville, are the parents of Dakota Bryan, born Nov. 14 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He weighed 8 pounds, 6 ounces. Grandparents are Jessie and Kathi Ridenour and Paul and Sue Beemer, all of Maryville.



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Campus Safety relocates spaces

Commuters gain parking behind Valk, lose 26 slots outside Owens Library lot

by **Lindsey Corey**
Chief Reporter

Once again a change in parking will be made to cut down confusion after more than 1,000 appeals were filed with the campus Traffic Court.

As of Monday Nov. 25 lot 26 will be strictly resident parking, causing commuters to lose 26 spaces in that lot.

The most common complaint came from people who were ticketed in lot 26, which is located behind Owens Library and next to Garrett-Strong.

"There is unclear signage in lot 26," Sharon Meadows, Campus Safety director, said. "The majority of complaints were for that lot, and the Traffic Court experienced difficulty in deciding whether or not the person should have known where they could park."

This year the traffic court has heard 1,204 appeals. Ninety were granted and 214 were denied, leaving the approval rate at about 30 percent.

"If we see a lot of confusion, we will make recommendations," said Kelly Ferguson, Student Senate vice president and Traffic Court chairman.

"In the case of lot 26, the decision evolved out of the Traffic Court committee pointing out the problem."

Commuters will lose 26 parking spots in the lot closest to the library, but they will gain 150 spaces in lot 17A located behind Valk.

"If you look at the raw numbers, it makes better sense," Meadows said.

Previously the lot had 150 spots designated for commuters and 150 designated for residents.

"We're not taking anything away from them (commuting students)," Meadows said. "We're giving them 150 spaces that they don't have to fight for."

Campus Safety completed utilization checks at night since Sept. 25. They counted vacant spaces in lots and figured averages and the patterns of usage.

"Residents don't move their cars," Meadows said. "Lot 17A is vacant the majority of the night, so this is the most reasonable and logical solution."

Students, faculty to showcase artwork

by **Yvonne Kweh**
Missourian Staff

The time has come again for the Art Education Club to have its annual Fine Arts Auction.

The event will be at 7 p.m. Friday, in Mary Linn Performing Arts Center.

This year will be the fourth auction the Arts Education Club has sponsored.

The auction will have works of art from Northwest students as well as faculty members.

Art professor Philip Laber will auction the items. This is Laber's second

year auctioning for the Fine Arts Auction.

"The auction is a very nice thing for the students," Laber said. "It enables them to show off their work, and it also has a degree of formality that makes you think you are somewhere uptown. It is very fun."

The department selects the best pieces submitted by students and faculty. There is usually a total of 40 pieces auctioned.

"It is a wonderful opportunity for students," auction chairperson Theophil Ross said. "It gives them the opportunity to exhibit and to share work with the public."

The Fine Arts Club is an educational group involved in different issues concerning the campus as well as Maryville. In its free time, the club enjoys participating in a lot of community services.

This year, the auction will serve as a fund-raiser for the Art Education Club's scholarship and operating funds.

"Half of the money earned goes to the artist and the other half goes to the Fine Arts Education Club, which uses some of the money they received to take care of the expenses of the auction," club sponsor Kim Spradling said.

LEARNING

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in the works, but Shaw has already witnessed a turnaround from previous years: A 90 percent attendance rate compared to 60 percent at this time last year, and a higher degree of positive attitudes.

"I certainly know students have been doing as well or better on their examinations than classes in the past," Shaw said.

Patricia Lucido, associate professor of chemistry, has searched for new ways to teach interactively over the years.

Lucido said using technology in lecturing, such as in Power Point presentations, creates a more efficient use of time, which in turn frees time to conduct more classroom activities.

"I am trying to take that passive lecture time and try and make an activity that sets a context for the lecture material," Lucido said.

Lucido said she hopes to develop interactive teaching tools that illustrate concepts that enable both her and the student to pinpoint the individual's weakness in the course.

"There have been a lot more positive reactions through the years," she said. "Many of the people I teach are not science majors and may never love science, but letting them become more science literate is a lifelong change."

Susan Sheets, an industrial/organizational psychology major enrolled in Lucido's physical science class, said she is pleased with the learning atmosphere.

"I know with myself, if I can relate (science) to my life, I can learn much better," Sheets said. "With (Lucido's) teaching style, she knows

"I think there is room for when the world shifts in technology as it has now, that the institutions that were stronger in the old world will not be stronger in the new world."



William Massy
president of the Jackson Hole Higher Education Group

the Coordinating Board For Higher Education has requested \$1.8 million, per year for three years, to be added to the base of the fiscal year 1998 budget request to employ Accelerated Learning.

Since the state will not make a formal budget decision until May 1997, Hubbard said despite the outcome of its decision, filtering Accelerated Learning into Northwest classrooms will be his top priority.

However, Hubbard said mere funds would not make this program a success unless the University community believed in it.

"Faculty must be able to buy into it, believe it and own it," Hubbard said. "I think the response we had at the meeting was totally positive. We have a lot of people willing to try, so I am optimistic."

In the meantime, the University will ask faculty team members to submit Accelerated Learning course proposals.

The faculty given the green light to further develop such courses would structure them this summer, with the new course offerings available by summer 1998.

Speech team places 5th in tournament

by **Monica Smith**
Missourian Staff

It has been pretty tough to find most of the forensics team together, but last Saturday at the Mid-America Forensics League tournament they were all reunited.

The Mid-America Forensics League played host to a forensics tournament at Northwest last weekend. Each year Northwest students compete on their home turf. This year's tournament was the largest M.A.F.L. tournament in history.

The Northwest team placed fifth overall out of 17 teams representing five states. That was quite a feat because the five teams that placed have traditionally been in the top 20 nationally.

Angela McMahon, public relations major, said because the M.A.F.L. is the host of the tournament Northwest students are allowed to compete.

"We lend them our campus to use," McMahon said. "We host a very small annual tournament in the spring and we don't compete in that one."

Anne LaBeaume, speech and theater education major, said Northwest had high hopes for this tournament.

"We expect to do really well because our whole team is competing," LaBeaume said. "This is one of the first tournaments where our whole team is competing."

The reigning state champion forensics team is under a new coaching staff this year. LaBeaume said she believes the change is a positive one.

"We have an extremely new coaching staff this year," she said. "We had a strong coaching staff last year and a strong coaching staff this year. All will benefit by the change."

Marc Vasquez, public relations major, said the coaching staff is trying to build on what the past coaching staff has taught the team.

MURDER

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is hopefully the first step toward a resolution in the matter.

David Baird, Nodaway County prosecuting attorney, said the case is "all federal." Elkins was working as a state and federal informant and the decision was made that the federal courts rather than state courts would handle the case.

Emery is currently serving a sentence at the Federal Detention Center in Englewood, Colo. for a 1991 federal drug conviction, Hill Jr. said. He

"Under the leadership of last year, we have been able to build a strong foundation," Vasquez said. "It is good to change. Przybylo (former coach) wanted us to build on the things he taught us and go even farther."

Vasquez said there are even more differences in the speech team coaching staff, especially because the past staff was entirely male.

"This year we have two female graduate assistants, so we have a different perspective on coaching," he said.

The new coaching staff has one big victory under its belt from the Winona State University tournament in Winona, Minn.

Forensics coach Bill Cue said he has many goals for this season.

"We want to provide an educational opportunity available to anyone who is interested in honing their skills," Cue said. "Many seniors have the goal of going to nationals."

Vasquez has a much more competitive goals for the program.

"Last year we won state by three points and this year we want to win state by 30 points."

In last Saturday's tournament, Shawn Bechtol placed second in both prose interpretation and poetry interpretation. He and Angela McMahon placed sixth in duet interpretation.

Angela McMahon placed fifth in program of oral interpretation. Darian Galyon placed second in informative speaking and Anne LaBeaume placed sixth in persuasive speaking.

is expected to be returned to Kansas City by the U.S. Marshal's Service in the future for appearance in the U.S. District Court in Kansas City.

If convicted, Emery could face a mandatory sentence life sentence in prison without parole, or if the U.S. attorney's office seeks and receives formal approval from the U.S. attorney general to ask a trial jury to impose it, Emery could face the federal death penalty.

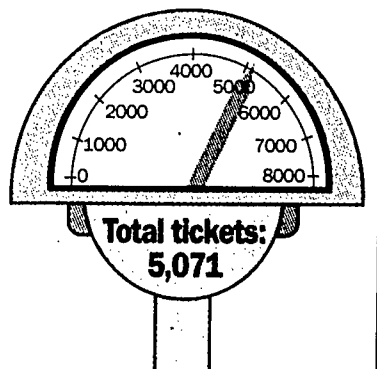
Hill said the charges in the indictment are merely accusations and are not evidence of guilt. The investigation isn't over and additional charges could be as further evidence develops.

U. CALENDAR

Friday, Nov. 22
Volleyball regional tournament
Ryland Milner classic, Bearcat Arena
Jazz Invitational, Mary Linn and Charles Johnson Theater
6 p.m., Women's basketball vs. Rockhurst, Bearcat Arena
8 p.m., Men's basketball vs. Graceland, Bearcat Arena
6 p.m., Fourth Annual Fine Arts Auction preview, Mary Linn
7 p.m., 4th Annual Fine Arts Auction, Mary Linn
3:30 p.m., Carmen San Diego geography awareness, 115 Garrett-Strong
Saturday, Nov. 23
6 p.m., Women's basketball vs. Wayne State, Bearcat Arena
8 p.m., Men's basketball vs. Florida Tech, Bearcat Arena
Bearcat cross country NCAA, DI Arcata, Calif.
10 a.m., Sigma Kappa officer training, Union
Sunday, Nov. 24
5 p.m., Wesley Center volleyball, Wesley Center
6 p.m., Sunday supper, Wesley Center
6:30 p.m., Reading auditions for the mystery play, Mary Linn
8 p.m., Sigma Kappa junior executive meeting, chapter room
9 p.m., Delta Chi executive board meeting, chapter house
Monday, Nov. 25
3:30 p.m., Political Science Club meeting, Northwest Room
5:30 p.m., Campus Activity Programmers meeting, Northwest Room
5 p.m., Phi Sigma Kappa meeting, Governors Room
5 p.m., Delta Chi meeting, 218 Garrett-Strong
5 p.m., Phi Beta Alpha meeting, Regents Room
6 p.m., Sigma Phi Epsilon meeting, University Club North
6 p.m., Reading auditions for mystery play, Mary Linn
6:30 p.m., Financial affairs meeting, Regents Room
7 p.m., Speaker Gary Bell, public library
7 p.m., ABC meeting, Northwest Room
7 p.m., Kappa Sigma meeting, Stockmans Room
7 p.m., FCA meeting, Dugout
Tuesday, Nov. 26
4 p.m., Heartland Express special transportation to Kansas City International
5 p.m., Thanksgiving vacation begins
7 p.m., Volleyball vs. Benedictine, Bearcat Arena
7:30 p.m., Men's basketball vs. Mid-America, Bearcat Arena
7 p.m., Student Senate meeting, University Club North
Wednesday, Nov. 27
Graduate student payday

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-Chris Stigall, TKE member

TKE HOUSE IN RUINS



"It brought us closer together as men. We had to pull together to make it through this adversity."

-Jon Richardson, TKE member

TKE memories go Up in smoke

photos by Greg Dalrymple

Members make temporary plans as they pick up the pieces

by Jacob DiPietro
Chief Reporter

After the smoke cleared, the members had a chance to retrieve belongings and memories, the search for a new beginning started for the men of the Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity.

The 16 members living in the house lost everything, from housing to school supplies, which included computers and textbooks.

Some of the members who lived in the house chose to relocate in the resident halls on campus. TKE member Tracy Bottoms said the University is helping by giving these students a rebated housing arrangement for all who need it.

"Housing is provided by the University," Bottoms said. "It costs six bucks a day, which I think is a fixed price. If they're not living on campus, they are living with girlfriends or friends."

Kent Porterfield, assistant dean of students, said the number one priority is to find everyone a place to live.

"One of the first things we did Sunday was to look for more permanent living arrangements for the 16 men that lived there for the rest of the semester," Porterfield said.

Along with housing, chapter president Joe Brannen said the group is already looking for an interim house for the next year or two. Brannen said the chapter needs a house to keep the main officers together.

The members wrote good-bye messages to the house on its walls before the burnt structure was boarded up.

"We are looking into renting a house where the officer core can live and establish a chapter address," Brannen said. "The main thing is to have the officers together."

Brannen said the interim house would have to have a large basement or "big common rooms" so there will be a place for members to get together and hold social functions.

Larry Apple, Action reality owner, and TKE alumni, said the chapter may not have to live in the temporary house for very long.

Apple said if things go as planned members could move in a new house as early as next fall.

"What we are planning on doing is rebuilding, but we are not sure of where," Apple said. "Locally we can start construction in early spring and have people moving in by next fall."

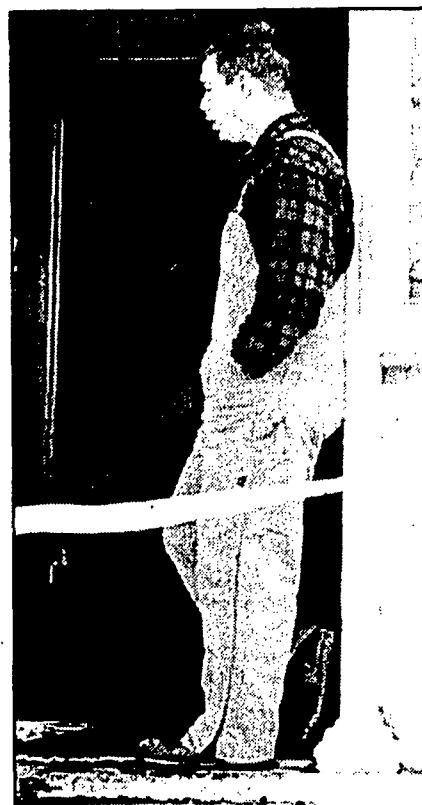
Along with housing, students need books and computers to go to class. Bottoms said the fraternity had to supply a list of titles ruined in the fire and the students received the books they lost.

However, Brannen said students in the EC+ program received loaner computers until they can buy a replacement.

"They are given replacement computers temporarily," Brannen said. "Their personal insurance will cover the cost but the University is graciously giving them a loaner until they get their new ones."



Ben Haskamp lost almost everything in the fire, including his laptop computer.

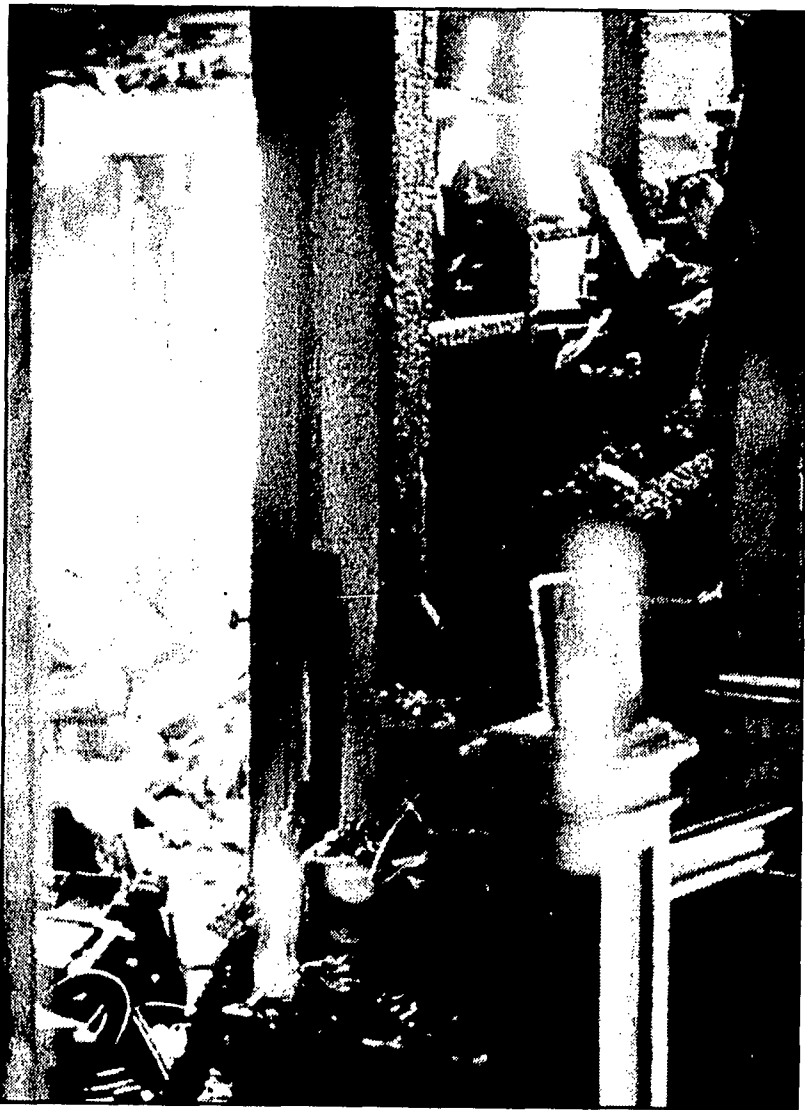


Joe Brannen, Tau Kappa Epsilon president, stands in the doorway to the fire-ravaged TKE house Tuesday. Members of the fraternity fled into the house all day looking for personal items.



ABOVE: TKE member Kent Turpin says good-bye to the house by signing the wall along the stairs on first floor. Many of the members used the wall signing as a type of closure.

BELOW: Only rubble remained of Ben Haskamp's room and the stairs that led to the third floor of the house. The fire began in Haskamp's room and spread to the third floor. The third floor was completely destroyed in the fire.



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others are still trying to make the adjustment.

Josh Akehurst, whose room was destroyed in the blaze, said he is trying to get used to living with just one roommate instead of 15, as well as adjusting to life in the residence halls.

"Living in the dorms is the biggest adjustment I had to make," Akehurst said. "I am not able to be with all the guys I used to live with. I'm just by myself."

While on the surface the fire seemed to tear everything apart, TKE member Jon Richardson thinks several good things came and will come as a direct result of the fire.

Richardson said the fire made the chapter closer than it has been in a long time.

"It brought us closer together as men," Richardson said. "We had to pull together to make it through this adversity."

The fire did more than just bring the TKE organization closer, it also brought the Greek community and local community closer as well.

TKE member Chris Stigall said the fire was a chance for others in the community to lend a helping hand.

"The night the house was burning the number of people that showed up was a true testament to what that house meant to us and the whole Greek system," Stigall said.

Chapter president Joe Brannen agrees with Stigall, but he also thinks all the guys in the fraternity have done a lot to help in the situation.

Brannen said the members have gone above the call of duty

to keep the chapter going after such a disaster.

"All the guys have been real supportive of each other and of me," Brannen said. "A lot of the guys have stepped up into leadership roles and done things that need to be done."

Along with being supportive, "the chapter has a positive outlook on this, which helps a lot too," Brannen said.

There are funds set up at First Bank CBC for donations. Several other Greek organizations have donated money to help with the costs of rebuilding.

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distinguish the fire," Rickabaugh said. "Conditions were just too dangerous, too much heat and fire so they had to back out."

After occupants were safely out of the residence, TKE members scrambled, making themselves available for any assistance for the firefighters.

"The people that were here initially helped pull hoses and do anything we could until more firefighters came in," Brannen said.

Rickabaugh said the members did an excellent job of clearing people out of the house, ensuring total safety.

"Their primary goal was to get everybody out, and they did it," Rickabaugh said. "They also did the right thing by getting out of the house and staying out."

With approximately 30 Public Safety members on hand, including officers and volunteers, the aerial truck was brought in to slow the blaze. Barring some water pressure problems, the aerial truck was able to calm the flames after an hour and half of work.

Rickabaugh said to stop the fire on the second floor was quite an accomplishment.

"There was a lot of water damage, but there's no way of getting around it," Rickabaugh said. "To prevent water damage there would've been fire damage, which then could've easily burnt (the house) to the ground."

The water hydrant pressure hindered the officers' performance, but they felt it was not a defining factor in the fire, Rickabaugh said.

"Even if we would've had excellent water pressure and the flow we needed, due to the construction of the building and the situation that we had, it would've still been

a battle," Rickabaugh said.

Despite the water shortage troubles, Brannen praised the work of Maryville Public Safety.

"The fire department did a great job, I thought the whole house was going to go up," Brannen said. "We are grateful that the house is still standing."

The TKEs were able to salvage most of their charter paraphernalia located on first floor and many of past years' composite photos.

The cause of the fire is undetermined. An initial thought pointed toward a space heater, but Rickabaugh said there could be numerous causes of the blaze.

"We've deemed it as an accidental, undetermined fire," he said. "There's nothing suspicious about it."

No investigation will be pursued by MPS.

Word began to spread as quickly as the fire about news of the burning. A crowd gathered

together to watch their fraternity history go up in smoke.

"It was gut-wrenching to watch everything go up in flames and you can't do anything about it," Brannen said. "I felt totally helpless."

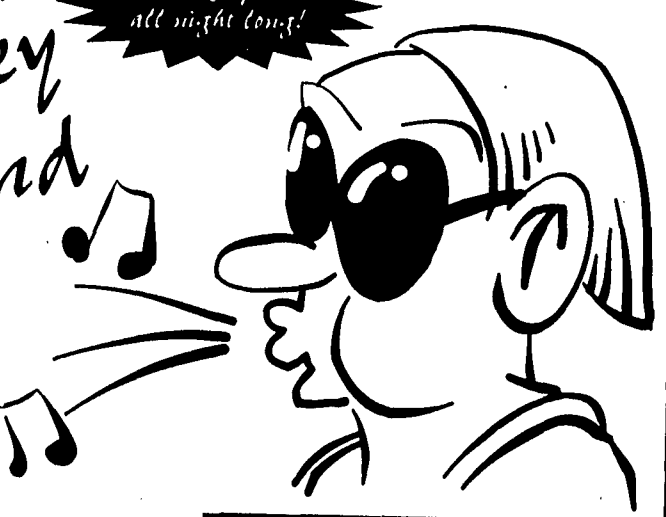
Neighbors were quickly on the scene, assisting their fraternity neighbors and other onlookers by handing out blankets to combat the snow and sleet. The TKE were also welcomed by supportive members of the Greek community with offers of food, toiletry, money and lodging.

"Our neighbors, and other Greek groups, were great, very supportive," Brannen said. "We really appreciate all of their efforts as well."

Kent Porterfield, assistant dean of students, was on scene soon after the fire flared up, supporting the group and organizing places for them to spend the night.

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MARYVILLE ECONOMY

Three businesses add to city's landscape

A&G's Pizza & Steakhouse re-opens

By Scott Brock
Missourian Staff

Echoes of hammers falling, grinding cement mixers and mechanized clatter from a menagerie of equipment filling the downtown area since summer, are signs that Maryville's A&G's Pizza & Steakhouse restaurant will be back in business soon.

Destroyed by fire in June 1995, a new A&G's is under construction near its former site at the corner of Main and Second streets.

Area merchants don't seem to mind the extra noise, dirt and workers the construction has brought in.

"We've missed having (A&G's) around," Sarah Sperry, Maryville Florist employee, said.

Without considering following the trend of relocating businesses south of downtown, owner George Groumoutis decided to rebuild near his former location.

"We've been here 20 years," Groumoutis said. "We want to stay here. This restaurant should give life to the downtown area and help everybody's business."

The rebuilt establishment will differ greatly from the former — differences that make Groumoutis proud.

Featuring many styles and genres of food, Groumoutis hopes the restaurant will appeal to a variety of diners.

Italian food will remain an attraction, joined by Mexican, Greek, seafood and an "executive menu" including fine gourmet dinners and fresh lobster.

In trying to lure college students, the restaurant will also offer affordable hamburgers and other grilled items. Alcoholic beverages will be served during business hours, a Maryville first.

Groumoutis envisions the atmosphere of a family-type restaurant with options. The restaurant will be divided into three sections: a lounge with a 20-foot oak bar, main dining area and a party room with a capacity of more than 150 people.

As a comfort to customers, the new structure will contain new elements of technology, such as flame retardant sheet rock, designed to keep this A&G's from going up in smoke.

The kitchen and waiting staffs will also make use of technology, utilizing computerized remote ordering and display systems that immediately relay orders to the kitchen.

The new 4,800 square-foot building, built by Sears O'Riley Construction and designed by Dean Faulkner, a Kansas City architect, will also feature a large parking lot, vaulted ceiling and brick and siding exterior.

The exterior construction, mostly completed, has reached a point where further patches of inclement weather should not hinder progress, Walker said.



Christina Kettler/Chief Photographer

Clint Dew, left, and Brian Steven, right, crew members of Sears O'Riley Construction Company finish building the frame of the new A&G's Pizza & Steakhouse earlier

this semester. The restaurant is still under construction at the corner of Main and W. 2nd St. The establishment will offer patrons a different menu upon its opening.

Restaurant expands, relocates in town

by Wendy Broker
Chief Reporter

A new option will soon be available to the hungry folks of Maryville, as Pappa's Espresso expands and changes locations.

The coffee shop located next to McDonald's is moving to 1512 E. First St. across from Conoco.

Pappa's will no longer be just a coffee house, but also a restaurant and drive thru owner Gene Deptuch said.

Beverage-wise, Deptuch said many drinks will be available, not just coffee.

"We will have a full non-alcoholic beverage restaurant with coffee, tea, milkshakes and soda, but we will also have our espresso available," he said.

Food will be added to the menu as well, Deptuch said.

"We will have a limited menu consisting of typical fast food like hamburgers, cheeseburgers, barbecued beef and pork, as well as fries, all fresh of course," he said.

Pappa's will also offer a limited breakfast menu, with a Mexican-type breakfast sandwich specially created.

Home-cooked meals will also be available. "We will also serve a cooked meal at lunch and at dinner that will change daily — a specialty of the day," he said.

Deptuch said the patrons will order their food at the counter, sit down in a choice of booths or tables and the order will be delivered to their table.

"We want to create a family-type atmosphere where people are at ease of mind," he said. "We want customers to feel comfortable as if they were in their own dining room."

To add to the home-style atmosphere, Deptuch said the restaurant will try to make everything itself, such as french fries.

Deptuch said the goal of the establishment is to not only fill a void of food places in that area of town, but to offer a nice, inexpensive place to eat.

Deptuch hopes the restaurant will be open soon. "If we can get the plumbing in and the place paved, and the man upstairs smiles down on us — hopefully, we'll be open within a month," he said.

Deptuch said he is happy to bring his restaurant to Maryville, since the community has treated him and his family very kindly.

Furniture store caters to college crowd

by Lindsey Corey
Chief Reporter

A Maryville woman noticed there wasn't a used furniture store in town, so she decided to do something about it.

Leanne James opened Annie's Furniture at 106 S. Main in early October.

James had no previous business experience, but said she had always wanted to try something like this.

"Maryville is a college town and many college students cannot afford to buy new furniture," James said.

"I saw a need for college students to get rid of and pick it (furniture) up when they get back."

From coffee tables to shelves, the store has a variety of furniture.

"Its furniture meant to be used for three or four years (by college students)," James said. "I don't have a lot for people looking to outfit their home for the rest of their lives."

She shops around for the store's merchandise, going to garage sales, auctions and buying directly from people.

"I look wherever I can find good, clean furniture so I can make it affordable," James said.

She is also willing to negotiate her prices.

"We have good chairs for as low as \$15 and big dining sets for less than \$100," James said. "Prices are

not set in stone either."

Business is good considering the store has yet to have a large sign on its front.

"It's pretty good," James said. "Better than I expected."

James has plans to expand the store and incorporate reupholstering and refinishing furniture.

"I'd also like to set up something where if a student wants to get rid of their furniture, they can give me the first chance and I would discount them when they came back (to school)," James said.

Annie's Furniture is open from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday, and from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday.

Talkin' Turkey

Kids search for a picture of pumpkin pie Saturday morning during a Thanksgiving party for local children and their parents. The scavenger hunt was one of two games at the Maryville Public Library party.

Greg Dalrymple/
Photography Director



The Missouriian will return on Thursday, Dec. 5, after the University break.

Member receives certification

Toru Yamauchi
Missourian Staff

One of the newest School Board members recently received a certification from the state of Missouri after going through the state-required training program last year.

Board member John Redden finished the required 16-hour training program in Kirksville and St. Joseph. Redden studied activities such as the general board operation and policy-making procedures.

Redden said he remembered leaving for Kirksville at 4 a.m., wondering why he had to do this program. However, after studying goal-setting and maintaining positive relationships with others in the training, Redden had to change his mind.

"(The 16-hour training) is definitely needed for every member, and there is no doubt about that," Redden said. "(Because I learned) what I can

say and can't say and how I should react in all the problems held in the school district."

Gary Bell, superintendent of schools, complemented Redden for passing through the program.

"We are glad to see our Board members take part in this training," Bell said.

As Redden's five children attended Maryville schools, he did not agree with some policies, which motivated him to run for the Board in 1994.

"I didn't like what was going on, so I decided to run for the Board of Education member," Redden said. "Since I became a Board member, I have enjoyed it. The experience has opened my eyes to Board policy and things going on in the school district that I had no idea about before."

As a Board member, Redden has experienced the mental discipline and the skills of compromise and obedience his position requires.

"There has to be give-and-take," Redden said. "If I can't compromise, I will vote against. But (once the decision is made), I don't go to the community and criticize the other members. Even if I don't like it, I have to live with it."

Redden said there are difficulties of being in a neutral position.

"Sometimes what the community wants is not the way that needs to be done for the education," Redden said. "So we have to weigh both sides to decide which way to go. There is no way we can satisfy everyone in the community at the same time."

Although Redden sometimes feels his job is hard, he willingly contributes to the community.

"(I am proud of) supporting the Maryville School District," Redden said. "If you have a problem, call the superintendent, the Board president and members. Whether these calls are good or bad, we will listen to you."

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Friday, Nov. 22

9:45 a.m. Exercise Program, Nod-away County Senior Center.

7:30 p.m. Community Theater presents Robin Hood, Washington Middle School Auditorium.

Saturday, Nov. 23

9 a.m. Overeaters Anonymous, St. Francis Hospital.

2 p.m. Community Theater presents Robin Hood, Washington Middle School Auditorium.

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sity Small Business Development Center to sign up, 562-1701.

Monday, Nov. 25

9:45 a.m. Exercise Program, Nod-away County Senior Center.

6 p.m. Overeaters Anonymous, St. Francis Hospital.

Tuesday, Nov. 26

5 p.m. Maryville Chamber Social, Maryville Country Club. All Chamber members are encouraged to attend.

Saturday, Nov. 30

9 a.m. Multiple Sclerosis support

group, St. Francis Hospital.

Sunday, Dec. 1

Afternoon, open gym for middle school students, Maryville R-II High School gym.

Thursday, Dec. 5

8 a.m. to 5 p.m. St. Francis Hospital Auxiliary's annual bazaar and bake sale, hospital lobby.

Friday, Dec. 6

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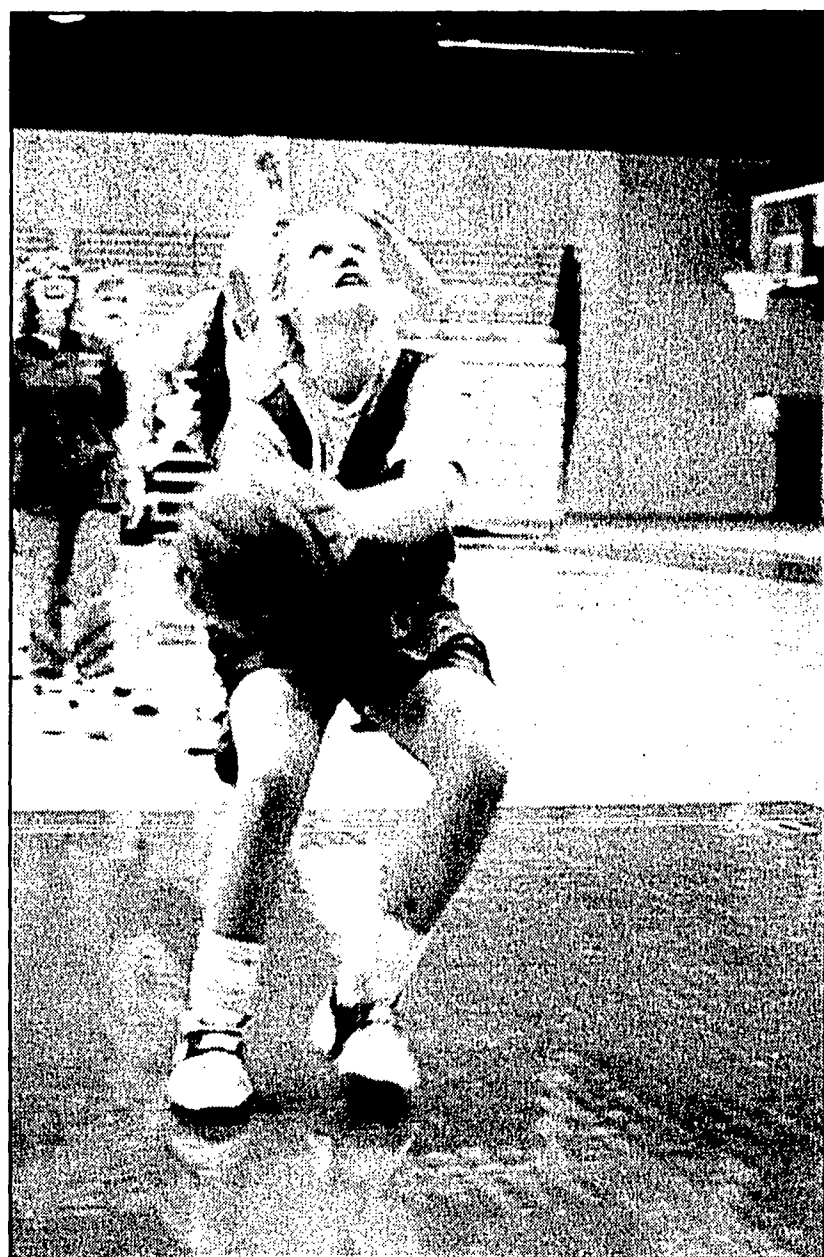
Basketball trivia

Question: Who holds the Northwest men's career scoring record?
Answer: Vic Coleman with 1,795 from 1980-1984.

If you have a question or comment about a story on this page or a university sports idea, contact **Colin McDonough, 562-1224**.

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Women's team is ready to hoop



Junior forward Annie Coy works on her lay-ups in practice on Wednesday. The Bearcats open their season at 6 p.m. Friday in Bearcat Arena in the Ryland Milner Classic against Rockhurst College.

by Scott Summers
Chief Reporter

The Bearcat women's basketball team has been busy preparing for another season of hoops, and there is plenty of reason for excitement as the 'Cats tip off the new year.

The Bearcats have seven returning players who have started for Northwest. With so much returning talent, the team hopes to soar above last season's 14-13 record.

"Our goal is to win the conference and make the playoffs," head coach Wayne Winstead said. "Anything less than that would not be fair to what our possibilities could be."

Winstead is in his 18th season as coach and knows this will be a very tough season for his team.

Pam Cummings, junior point guard, returns for her third season of leading the Bearcats. Cummings led the MIAA in assists last season with 7.9 a game.

Cummings led the Bearcats to an 82-80 win over the Nebraska All Stars in the team's exhibition game last Wednesday. She scored 25 points, grabbed eight rebounds and handed out seven assists.

"I think Southwest Baptist will be tough," Winstead said. "They were voted No. 1 on the strength of their team last year and the players they recruited. It's going to be a dogfight."

Despite playing a talented conference schedule, the Bearcats know they can handle the tough fight if they play well.

"We are putting a lot of emphasis on defense this year," Winstead said. "To have a successful season, we need to play with maturity and patience."

The 'Cats began team practices on Oct. 15 but started preseason conditioning, consisting primarily of weight lifting and running, on Sept. 10 in hopes of getting a jump on the competition.

The players are anxious to get the season started.

"We are looking forward to the start

of the season," senior guard Kristin Folk said. "Everybody is really excited."

Judging only on how his team has performed in practice, Winstead does see a need for improvement in some key areas.

"I think we have a lot of room for improvement in defense and in rebounding," Winstead said. "We have great intensity."

Junior transfer Allison Edwards also believes the 'Cats can improve on defense.

"I think we need to improve on our defensive transition," Edwards said.

Edwards also said she thought the team played pretty well together overall.

"I think everyone is very unselfish, and we work well as a team," Edwards said.

The Bearcats will play their first regular season game at 6 p.m. Friday in Bearcat Arena when the 'Cats get the ball rolling against Rockhurst College in the Ryland Milner Classic.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Nov. 22 Rockhurst 6 p.m.
Nov. 23 Wayne State 6 p.m.
Nov. 26 Benedictine 7:30 p.m.
Nov. 29-30 at Nebraska-Omaha Tourn. TBA
Dec. 5-7 at West Texas Tourn. TBA
Dec. 14 Emporia State 5:30 p.m.
Dec. 20 Pittsburg State 7:30 p.m.
Jan. 6 Missouri-Rolla 5:30 p.m.
Jan. 8 Lincoln 5:30 p.m.
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Indoor track team prepares for season

by Wendy Broker
Chief Reporter

As winter approaches, runners, throwers and jumpers are moving indoors and are revving up their engines for the beginning of the indoor track season.

The men's team will sport 18 returners, as well as many athletes new to the collegiate level of competition or to the Northwest team.

Rich Alsop, head men's coach, said he has high hopes for this year's team.

"They should really be an improved team," Alsop said. "The new additions will help to make the team stronger."

Sophomore Dave Sempek, middle distance runner, said the team is improved, and will do better than last year.

"We're going to be a lot better than last year," Sempek said. "We're a lot stronger team now."

Team captain Chad Sutton said he also believes the team has changed.

"We have a lot more experience coming back this year," Sutton said. "People are returning from eligibility problems, and we also have the results of good recruiting. We've been able to fill all the holes from last year. Our vaults, jumps and sprints are pretty well balanced this year."

Alsop said the team has opportunities to do well with the type of athletes on the team.

"We didn't really have any vaulters last year, this year we do," he said. "Our distance and middle distance runners are back. We have a returner who could possibly be a top conference finisher, as well as several new additions with great potential."

Alsop said the team is awaiting the beginning of competition,

which starts Dec. 13 at Iowa State University.

The women of Northwest have also been preparing for the upcoming season.

The team has 19 returning letter winners, nine of whom are school record holders and three newcomers.

Sprinter Amy Allen said this year's team offers a lot more than past years.

"We're a lot stronger and healthier this year," Allen said. "We did a lot of recruiting in hurdles and short distance runners, that will definitely help fill last year's holes and make our team stronger."

Thrower Julie Humphreys said the team has patched its holes and hopes for improvement.

"We're a complete team now, we've filled in the places we were weak," Humphreys said. "I expect to improve on last year's performance, and I'm sure we will as a team as well."

Allen said, the women have a good relationship.

"We have a definite team unity, and we all get along good," she said.

Humphreys said having a lot of the women return is a positive thing for the team.

"It's nice to have many of the same people back this year, that way you know where everyone stands," she said. "The new girls are doing good; I'm impressed with them as well."

Ron DeShon, head women's coach, said the team should do well this season.

"If we stay healthy, we may accomplish most of our goals," DeShon said. "Cross country has showed the strength and ability of the athletes in this program. We just need to get the job done."

Men will try to mesh talent into winner

by Nate Olson

Contributing Writer

The Northwest men's basketball team is loaded with individual talent and its goal will be to combine that talent to create a well-oiled machine.

However, some fine-tuning will be in store for the 'Cats. Head coach Steve Tappmeyer, who is in his ninth year at Northwest, will try to fill the six holes left by departing players from last year's 19-7 team with a solid recruiting class. Of the newcomers, two are redshirts from last season, four are junior college transfers and two are true freshmen. Along with the talent, the newcomers bring a lot of learning and adjusting.

"It makes it a lot more challenging because there are a lot more people that have to learn the system," Tappmeyer said. "We have a few things that we are doing that are new to a certain amount of our team, and there's a few things on offense that we are doing that is new to everyone. It's made it a lot slower process of everyone coming out and picking everything up. It's affected our confidence a little bit."

After looking at the credentials of the recruiting class, it does not take long to figure out why Tappmeyer is optimistic his team will blossom.

Ruben Stephens, a 6-foot 6-inch forward from Bossier Parish Community College, looks to fill a void in the front court. He was named to the all-region and all-conference teams at BPCC. Stephens had 21 points and four rebounds in the 'Cats' opening-season loss to Park College. He also poured in eight points and snagged seven boards against Bethany College Tuesday night.

Stephens said playing for Northwest has been an adjustment for him and the newcomers, but he expects

"I just feel very comfortable from last year to this year. I feel comfortable shooting and it helped me to get experience last year, and this summer I played in a summer league in Tennessee."



Kelvin Alford, senior shooting guard

ence of senior point guard Corey Alexander, who was eighth in the MIAA in assists and committed 56 turnovers last year, and Silas Williams, who had nine points and six assists Tuesday night. Tappmeyer said he is looking to Alexander

and Williams for team leadership on the court.

"We are looking for someone to step up and be a leader at that position," Tappmeyer said. "If you look at last year, Derek Smith was a leader in crucial situations and would take the basketball. He made a lot of decisions, and we put the ball in his hands even though he wasn't the point guard. That's what we are looking for this year — someone to get us in our offense and take charge and get people up when intensity drops off."

Silas Williams started the first game at the shooting guard position and in the second game started at the point guard spot because Alexander had a calf bruise. He said being the back-up point guard last year has helped him this year.

"I'm trying to pick up from last year," Williams said. "They have stuck me at the two guard, but I know how to run the point and know what it's about. I'm pretty confident."

Two other returners are senior guard Kelvin Alford and sophomore forward Matt Redd. Alford started 20 games last year and averaged 8.7 points a game and is averaging 21 points in the first two contests this season. Redd was voted freshman of the year in the MIAA last season and averaged 10 points and six rebounds a game.

Alford said he feels more acclimated on the court, which reflects in his shooting.

"I just feel very comfortable from last year to this year," he said. "I feel comfortable shooting and it helped me to get experience last year, and this summer I played in a summer league back home in Tennessee and worked on my shot a lot."

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Sophomore forward Matt Redd tips in a rebound for two points in the Bearcats' home-opening victory over Bethany College Tuesday night. Redd averaged 10 points a game last year for the Bearcats. Redd was voted freshman of the year in the MIAA last season.

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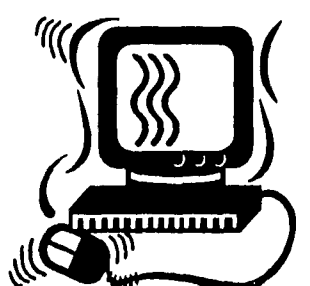
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Wrestlers prepare to defend MEC crown.

The 'Hounds are the team to beat in the Midland Empire Conference as they attempt to win their 5th consecutive MEC title.

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Basketball season opens up Monday.

Both the boys' and girls' teams will play host to Trenton High School Monday night in the Maryville High School Gym.

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Girls look to improve

Basketball team relies on defense as strength

by Jacob DiPietro
Chief Reporter

A lot of things can change in one year and the Spoofoound girls' basketball team is hoping a year's change can propel them into the hunt for a conference title.

Last year the 'Hounds ended the season with a 9-17 record overall and went 2-6 in the conference.

However, the record does not always accurately portray the team's ability. Jeff Martin, who is in his second year as head coach for the 'Hounds, said last year's team was not prepared in some aspects to win.

"Last year we went 1-11 in games won by six points or less," Martin said. "The team was not used to winning. We didn't know how to win last year."

Some of the players think the problem last season was trying to learn the new coaching techniques.

"Last year we were trying to learn the new offense," senior starter Allison Strong said. "We weren't confident."

Martin agrees last season was a time of adjustment. However, he said he has noted much improvement from last year.

"We are much farther along in practice this year than we were last year," Martin said. "Just a year of knowing the system; the fact that they are real familiar with what we want — It makes things go a lot smoother than a year ago."

Martin thinks the transition from last year to this year has been a smooth one.

Martin said the team has grown used to what he expects as a coach, and it has made the team better as a whole.

"A year ago when they came into practice they didn't know what I expected of them," Martin said. It probably took a whole year to get them acclimated to what I wanted. Once they learned what I wanted, they began working on certain skills and on parts of their game to make them better."

One of the aspects the team has been working on is defense. Martin said defense is an important part of the game.

Martin is hoping the defense which held the opposition to an average of 41 points a game last season, can keep his team in the hunt this year. However, Martin is not relying on defense alone this year. He is hoping size will play a role as well.

While Martin thinks the team's strength lies in defense, senior starter Valerie Stiens said the team's strong points are off the court.

"Team unity, it is not an individual," Stiens said. "Which is a good thing, it keeps the play good."

While the team is still working on the final adjustments before the season starts, Martin said the team has been working toward this year since the end of the last season.

"We felt like last year we created enough excitement, as far as our style of play, so that this year we can improve on our record and have some success," Martin said. "So we have been real excited about this year ever since last year ended."

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12/27-30 LeBlond Tournament
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1/7 at Savannah
1/10 at Falls City
1/13-18 Savannah Tournament
1/21 at South Harrison
1/24 at Chillicothe
1/30 East Buchanan
1/31 at Benton
2/6 at Lafayette
2/7 LeBlond
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2/14 Chillicothe
2/18 at Red Oak
2/24-3/1 DISTRICTS
3/14-15 STATE



The Spoofoound boys' basketball team practices Wednesday before next Tuesday's opener. The 'Hounds will face Trenton High School at home.

Jennifer Meyers/
Chief Photographer

Football slows boys' practice

by Scott Summers
Chief Reporter

The Maryville Spoofoounds are gearing up for another exciting season of basketball and hoping to tip-off their season with a win Nov. 26 against Trenton High School.

There is only one problem, though. They do not have a team yet.

The basketball team has not been able to schedule any practices with a full roster because of the football team's success in the playoffs.

Head coach Mike Kuwitzky said the team has been practicing, minus the football players.

"We are still having practice with the guys we've got right now," Kuwitzky said.

Kuwitzky downplayed the possibility that the lack of team practices would hurt the team.

"It's hard to say," Kuwitzky said. "Those players that have already been practicing are working hard and improving."

The 'Hounds finished up last season with an 18-10 record overall, and Kuwitzky wants to see an even better season this year.

"We want to strive for a winning season," Kuwitzky said. "We want to keep improving (as the season progresses)."

Kuwitzky knows it will not be an easy trip for the 'Hounds as they try to de-throne the Chillicothe Hornets, last season's conference champion.

"Our conference and our district has some of

the toughest teams we'll play all year,"

Kuwitzky said.

"Chillicothe has to be the favorite because they won it last year, but Benton and Savannah (will also present challenges)."

Kuwitzky has set out to accomplish some very specific goals this season from a coach's standpoint.

One of the most important things Kuwitzky said his team needed to do this season in order to be successful is to work well as a team.

"I think it is important that we create a good team chemistry," Kuwitzky said.

"We also need to learn to play our system and have a good work ethic. Those are the kinds of things we have tried to instill in our players over the years."

Offensively, the Spoofoounds will try to focus on playing as a team Kuwitzky said.

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SPOOFHOUND WRESTLING



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Junior Mark Anderson, freshman Adam Nelson and junior Jason Small pushed coach Joe Drake's truck through the Maryville High School parking lot last Tuesday during practice. Pushing trucks is a conditioning technique used by the team.

Wrestlers defend MEC crown

by Chris Gelnosky
Community Sports Editor

It is time to lace up the shoes and hit the mats because wrestling season is right around the corner for the Spoofoounds.

The wrestling team is coming off a 9-1 record last year and its fourth consecutive Midland Empire Conference title, and the 'Hounds will open their season Dec. 3 at Cameron High School.

Coach Joe Drake said the top returners should be senior Jeff Beacom and juniors Mark Anderson and Jeremy Lliteras.

"They were state qualifiers last year, and I will be looking for added leadership from them," Drake said.

Anderson wrestled at 112 pounds last year and finished the season with a 24-10 individual record.

Beacom, at 189 pounds, led the team in number of pins and recorded a 24-12 mark. Lliteras, the last of the three state qualifiers at 119 pounds, finished his season 18-15.

Two other 'Hounds to keep a look out for are senior Wyatt Dunbar and junior Jeremy Tobin.

Dunbar wrestled in the 160-pound weight class last year and put together an impressive 21-10 record in his first year of high school wrestling.

Maryville had injury problems at the 125-pound weight class last season, but Tobin filled in nicely by completing the year 13-9 and qualifying for districts in Platte City.

Set by the state, Nov. 4 was the first day of winter sports practices, and Drake said workouts have gone well

even though a third of his team is missing.

"We're working on basic drills and improving skill level, and we're pleased with what we've seen so far," Drake said. "We can't fully prepare because the football team is still in the playoffs, but we'll catch up when they get back."

Anderson said the team has room to improve from last season and is working on a variety of different aspects of the sport.

"First of all, we need to be in better physical condition than last year, and we're working more on the mat this year than last," Anderson said.

Strength and conditioning is a big part of the sport, but Drake said there is one thing all wrestlers must have or they will never be successful.

"I don't care if it's football, basketball or wrestling; the mental part of the sport is the most important. If you don't focus, you won't succeed."

Joe Drake,
Maryville High School
wrestling coach

Since some of the wrestlers have not joined the team yet, team goals have not been established. Drake, however, said he has the same goals every year.

Even though many would consider them lofty goals, he said he would like the team to go undefeated, win the MEC crown, win the district and finish as one of the top four teams in the state.



Greg Dalrymple/Photography Director

Shooting through opponents' legs is a basic move for wrestlers. Members of the team worked on different shooting techniques during Tuesday's practice. The team's first meet is Dec. 3 at Cameron High School.

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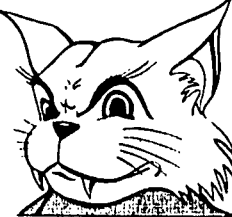
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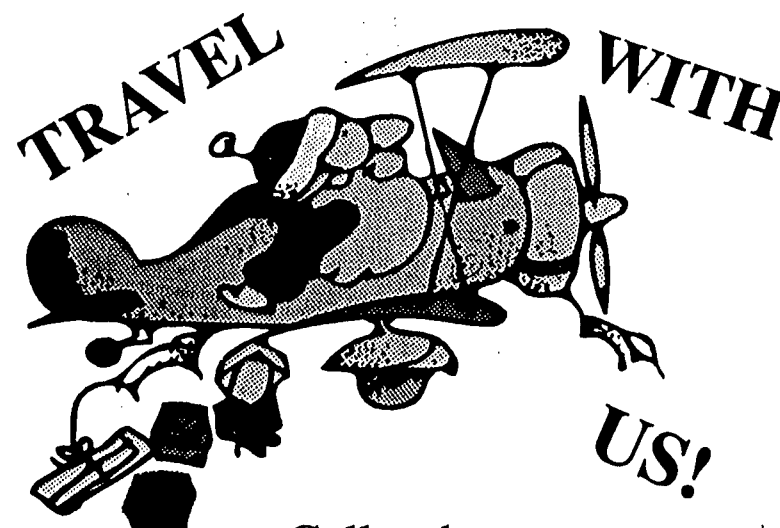
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Basketball starts, plus much more



Colin McDonough

This week could be the start of something big. Actually, I'll guarantee it will be the start of something big — college basketball season.

This is the best part of college

athletics. I can't find anything better in sports than watching college basketball get started. Hoops hysteria is what I like to call it.

College basketball brings many more upsets each and every year than college football and it always brings the great buzzer beaters. It brings in the little guy and the underdog and gives everyone a chance to win the title.

In college football, to win a championship the team has to be undefeated, however in hoops a loss or two or three does not hurt because teams can always bounce back.

It gives you that preverbal second chance that many never get and that is why hoops can be so exciting.

Chiefs are unimpressive
Sunday I attended the Kansas City Chiefs and Chicago Bears football game in Kansas City with the Chiefs coming out victorious 14-10.

The Chiefs were very unimpressive in the game, although they got the win and that is what is important.

Defense wins championships, and that is what the Chiefs have, but they do not have any sort of offense that will contend for the AFC title.

The Heisman Trophy
If I had a vote for the Heisman Trophy, I would give it to Iowa State running back Troy Davis.

He is the best running back in college football although many of you may not agree, but he is going to become the only back to ever achieve 2,000 yards in back-to-back seasons.

Think about it. No one has ever accomplished this amazing feat. That should be enough right there to win the coveted award.

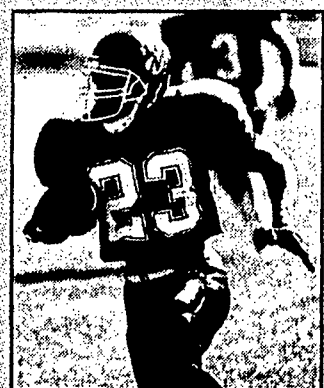
But he has his naysayers. His doubters say if you don't play for a bowl-bound or winning team you don't deserve it. But I thought the award went to the best player, not to the best team's player.

So if the voters would vote like they are supposed to, by picking the nation's best player, then there is no doubt Troy is the man for the award.

But he won't win, because there are too many fruitcakes out there not smart enough to pick the best player.

Colin McDonough is University sports editor for the Northwest Missourian.

Northwest Star Athlete

Twan Young*
Sophomore

Young was one of four Bearcats to earn first team all-MIAA honors. Young is one of four sophomores on the first team. He is a starting cornerback for the 10-1 Bearcats.

*chosen by the Missourian sports staff

Bearcats nab bid to battle Mavericks

by Colin McDonough
University Sports Editor

Northwest will try to exorcise the demons of Bearcat playoff history Saturday in the first round of the NCAA Division II playoffs with a win over the University of Nebraska-Omaha.

With a victory over the Mavericks, Northwest would gain 11 wins and no other Bearcat team has accomplished that feat. A triumph would also be the first playoff win in Northwest school history.

Northwest has reached the playoffs twice in school history and lost both times, in 1984 to Nebraska-Omaha and in 1989 to Pittsburg State University.

The Bearcats and Mavericks kick-off Saturday at 1 p.m. in Alf Caniglia Field in Omaha, Neb.

Caniglia Field is located on I-29 north to I-80 west, 72nd north to Dodge, east to University Drive then south on University Drive to the stadium and east parking garage.

Both teams have similar stories. Pat Behrms, head UNO football coach, and Mel Tjeerdsma, head Northwest football coach, are both in their third seasons as head coaches at their respective schools. In Behrms' first year the Mavericks went 1-10, while the Bearcats went 0-11 in Tjeerdsma's initial campaign. Then this year both teams won their conferences with identical 10-1 records.

Tjeerdsma said he is happy to be in the playoffs and glad to be playing the Mavericks.

"I think we got a great draw with UNO," Tjeerdsma said. "It's close and we will be playing on turf. The turf helps us because of some of the things we do and the people we have. We've played one game on turf this year and we played pretty well."

Senior linebacker Ken Gordon said the turf should be a positive for the

Bearcats.

"I think it will help us out a lot with our speed," Gordon said.

Tjeerdsma said Nebraska-Omaha is a team that makes the most of good situations.

"The No. 1 thing about them is that they are really opportunistic and take advantages they are given," he said. "They believe good things are going to happen and they do happen."

Tjeerdsma said they have two of the quickest receivers he has seen all season in MarTay Jenkins and Jake Young.

"They are faster than anybody we've seen this year," he said. "They are both good receivers and both good return guys."

The Mavericks and Bearcats have two common opponents on the season, Mankato State University and South Dakota State.

Northwest defeated Mankato State while the Mavericks fell victim 16-15 for their only loss of the season. The Bearcats and Mavericks both beat South Dakota State. Nebraska-Omaha defeated the Jackrabbits to claim the North Central Conference championship.

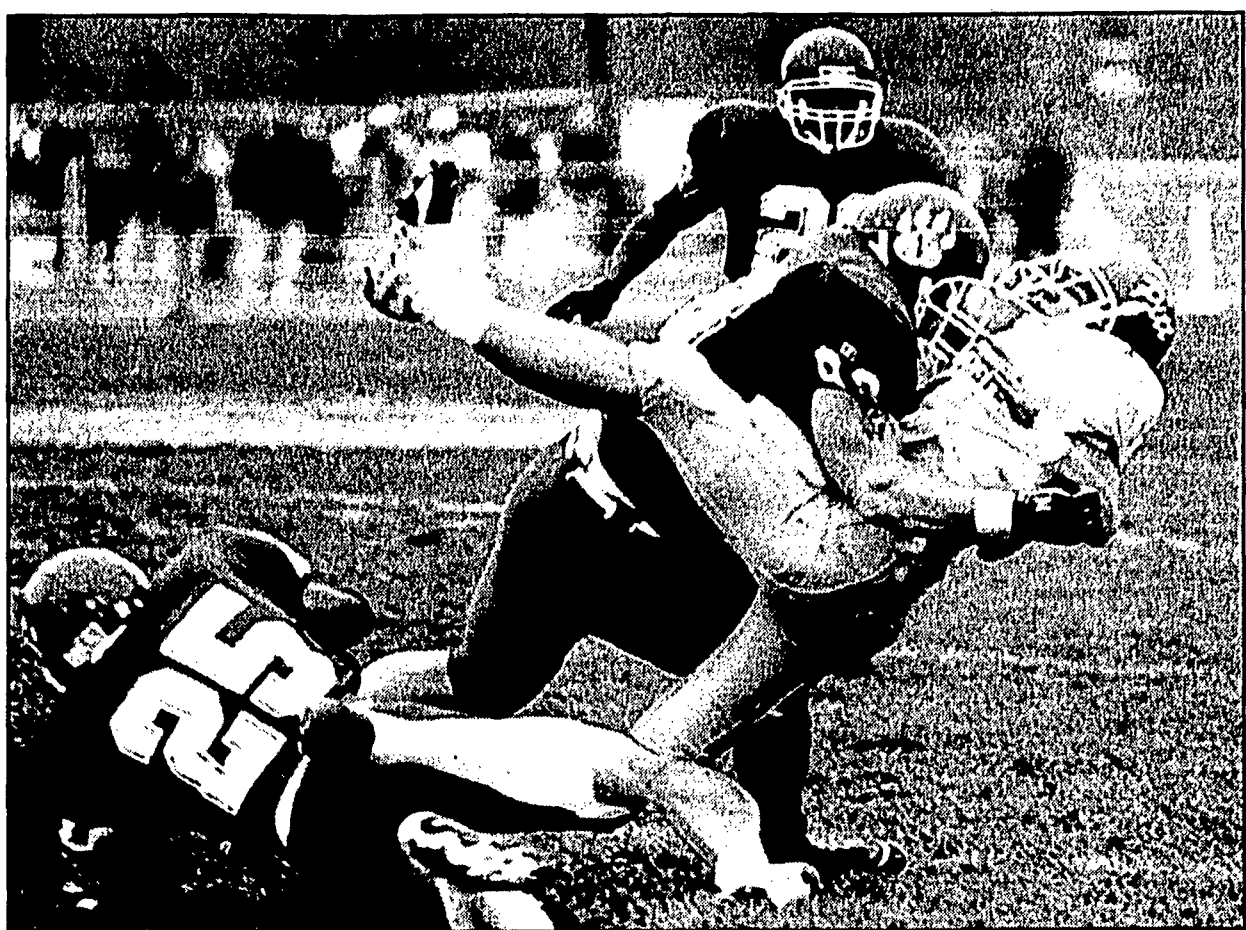
Tjeerdsma said UNO has not been through a soft schedule.

"They've been through a lot and been tested in a lot of close ballgames," he said. "They're a very good team and they are in a great conference. They went to North Dakota and North Dakota State and beat both of them. That hasn't been done very often."

Tjeerdsma said the players are excited about getting the chance to play in Omaha.

"We are excited about going there to play," he said. "We have a number of players from the Omaha area and southwest Iowa. It's going to be a great opportunity for us."

Senior quarterback Greg Teale said for the Bearcats to win it will take a



Matt Uhde, senior defensive end, plants a Pittsburg State runner in Saturday's mud bowl. Uhde was named to the first team all-MIAA for the second straight season. Three

other Bearcats were named to the first team. They included senior quarterback Greg Teale, senior linebacker Ken Gordon and sophomore cornerback Twan Young.

Greg Dalrymple/Photography Director

basic effort.

"We have to go out there and play hard for four quarters," he said. "We just can't do anything out of the ordinary."

Tjeerdsma said the team has only one major injury heading into the game with junior linebacker Dante Combs.

Pittsburg State 40 Northwest 0

Pittsburg State University made the best of the terrible conditions Saturday and ruined Northwest's perfect season, 40-0.

The game was played under bad field conditions because of steady rain the night before the game and a driving rain throughout the second half.

As a result, the field came apart at the seams.

Teale said the only way to move on from this game is to remove it from their thoughts.

"We are just trying to forget about it," he said. "The best thing we can do now is to get it out of our minds and focus on UNO."

Runners take aim at fourth in national championships

by Wendy Broker
Chief Reporter

The women's cross country team must turn it up a notch or be shut down at its final competition of the year, the NCAA Division II national championship meet at Humboldt University in Arcadia, Calif., Saturday.

The women earned the opportunity to compete by finishing in the top three teams at the Great Lakes regional meet in Warrensburg two weeks ago. Northwest finished second.

Junior Carrie Sindelar said the women have looked toward this goal for a long time and feels its only right that they have the opportunity to see it through.

"This is something we have worked for, something we think we

deserve," Sindelar said. "This is our reward for all our hard work and we're looking forward to it. We are excited to be able to run among the best in the country."

Ron DeShon, head women's coach, said the women are ready to head to California to compete at an event they have never ran in before.

"We're really excited to be going to California," DeShon said. "We can't wait to be there to have fun."

The team will also take a business-like approach to the event because they know they have a job to do, DeShon said.

"We're going to be a team to contend with," he said. "We're going to fight to be in the top four, but we hope to at least be in the top 10."

Sindelar said this is not only a big

accomplishment for the women, but something to remember.

"This is something we will never forget, something we may never get to do again," she said. "This is a big milestone for Northwest, not just for ourselves, but for future teams and the University."

DeShon said the women are healthy now, and ready to turn it up another notch for the meet.

"Carrie is back healthy now," he said. "Lindsey Borgstadt and Dana Luke are also doing extremely well right now. They're ready to run with the big girls now."

Sindelar, Borgstadt and Luke will run at nationals with teammates Heidi Metz, Kathy Kearns, Renata Eustice and Monica Kepler for their shot at bringing home a trophy.

Netters finish season above .500

by Brian Brozyna
Missourian Staff

The Northwest volleyball team completed its season by finishing over .500 for the season despite a 6-10 record in MIAA play.

The Bearcats moved to 20-17 after going 1-2 in MIAA Weekend IV in Warrensburg. They defeated Southwest Baptist University but lost to Emporia State University and Missouri Southern State College.

Heather Potts, senior defensive specialist, said the team failed to fulfill the expectations for the season.

"We finished below our expectations," Potts said. "We expected to finish in the top three in the conference. The reason we didn't might have been a lack of focus."

Sarah Pelster, head volleyball coach, said the team played hard all year despite a tough schedule all season long.

"Our goal was to be very competitive in regional and conference play," Pelster said. "We were picked to fin-

ish sixth in the conference, and that's where we finished."

Pelster said the Oct. 2 match at Washburn University and the Oct. 24 match at home against Truman State University were easy to look at when reflecting upon the disappointing season.

"When you lose a match in five games, you look back and wonder what would have happened if we hadn't missed a serve or shanked that pass," Pelster said.

Potts said the Truman State and the Washburn matches stick out in her mind.

Three players set milestones this season. Diann Davis, junior middle hitter, took over the school's career block record while senior setter Jennifer Pittrich exceeded 5,000 assists for her career. Potts moved into second place on the all-time digs list behind Pittrich.

Potts said she had her sights set on the No. 1 spot in digs.

"I would have like to have been No. 1 but that would have been like an

added bonus," she said.

Pelster said Davis, Pittrich and Potts, in addition to senior Tiffany Grunert making the switch from outside hitter to middle hitter and the play of freshmen Sarah LaFlore and Lindsay Heck, were the keys to the Bearcats' season.

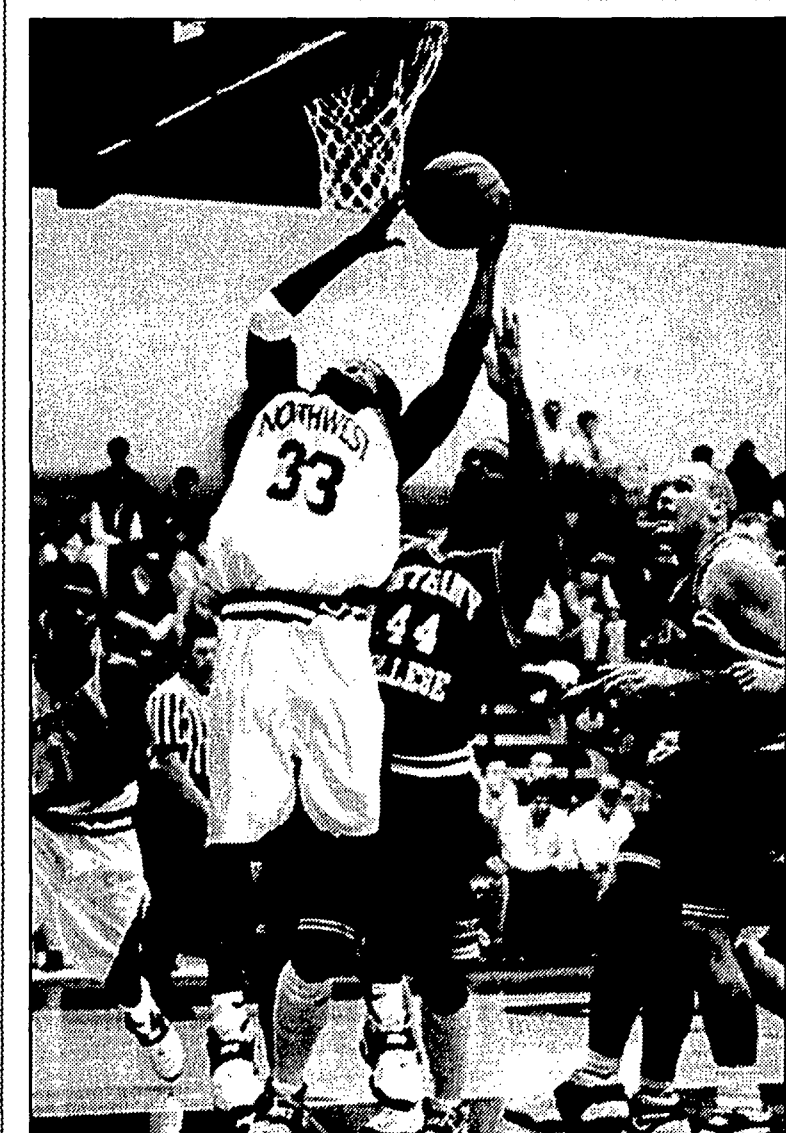
The team loses Pittrich, Potts, Grunert and middle hitter Hayley Hanson to graduation this season. Pelster said the team will be in a rebuilding stage after the loss and will work on skill development in the offseason.

Potts said if the team expects to improve next season it will need teamwork.

"They need to pull together as a team and not work as individuals," she said.

Potts said if next year's newcomers are good players it will help the development of the team.

"It's going to depend on the recruits they get it," she said. "Without a good recruiting year, I don't see any drastic improvements."



Christina Kottler/Chief Photographer

Senior Tim Glosten goes up for an easy two points against Bethany College Tuesday night. Glosten finished with 11 points.

Alford leads 'Cats to 89-65 triumph

The defense turned it up a notch in the second half and the Northwest men's basketball team was able to improve to .500 on the young season with an 89-65 triumph over the Bethany College Swedes Tuesday night.

Senior guard Kelvin Alford paced the 'Cats scoring with 21 points including four three-point

field goals. Alford is averaging 22.5 points a game this season.

Alford said he believes his confidence is high at this point in the season.

"A lot of it is confidence and coach kept putting in my head that 'I'm a shooter, I'm a shooter,'" Alford said. "I just have confidence in myself and my shot."

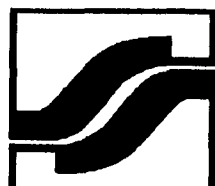
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'HOUND FOOTBALL

Spoofhounds compete in state semifinal game

Maryville football team to play host to Branson, four teams remain alive

by **Scott Summers**
Chief Reporter

There is a lot at stake Saturday when the Spoofhounds lock horns with Branson High School on the gridiron. Maryville will attempt to clinch a berth in the Missouri State 3A football championship game.

If the 'Hounds can muster just one more win, they will earn the right to play in the championship game at the TWA Dome in St. Louis Saturday, Nov. 30.

Head coach Chuck Lliteras knows the competition only gets better from here.

"I would hope that for a state semifinal game, it would be a good game," Lliteras said. "I would be disappointed if it wasn't a head-knocker."

Lliteras also said Branson likes to run off-tackle and use its running game to help set up its play-action-passing game.

Branson has some players who will present a challenge to the strong Maryville defense.

"We need to make sure we are able to contain their running backs," Lliteras said. "They have a good tailback too."

The key to Maryville winning the game may be on the line of scrimmage. Both teams want to control the trenches in hopes of staying with their game plans.

"We need to establish consistent

play on the line of scrimmage," Lliteras said. "If we can control the line of scrimmage, both offensively and defensively, we are going to be able to execute."

The 'Hounds need to get another brilliant performance defensively to shut down the Branson offense.

"After our (last game), our points per game allowed dropped to 2.66," Lliteras said. "We cannot afford to give up the big play. We need to keep their offense off the field."

When the defense gives up less than three points a game, you are going to win a lot of ball games.

Senior linebacker Matt Felton believes the game will be decided on the defensive end of the ball because the defense has led the team all year.

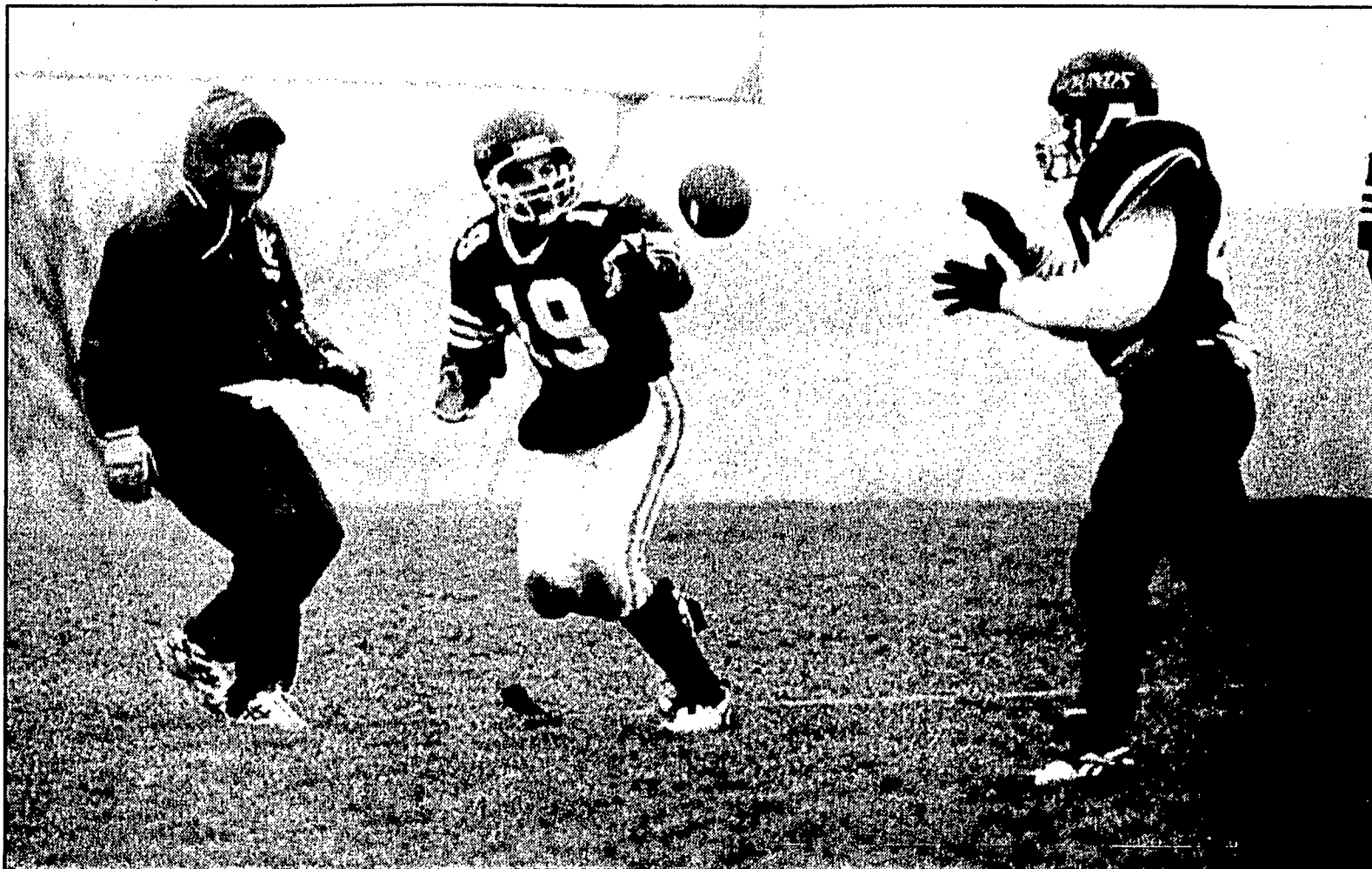
"I think we need to have a really strong defensive game," Felton said. "We need to shut them down. The offense has the advantage because they know exactly what they are doing, and the defense doesn't. Our defensive line needs to have a good game."

The Maryville players said it feels great to be just one step away from playing in the state championship game.

"It's a neat feeling," Felton said. "I knew we would have a good team this year, but I didn't think we would make it this far. Anyway you look at it, this has been a great ride."

Junior quarterback John Otte is riding the wave of emotion into the final round.

"It is a great feeling to be this close," Otte said. "One more win, and we are going to the state championship."



Head coach Chuck Lliteras looks on as two Spoofhounds run a drill during Wednesday's practice. The 'Hounds go into Saturday's playoff match-

up with an 11-1 record. They will meet Branson High School at 1:30 p.m. Saturday at the 'Hound Pound for the right to play for the state crown.

Christina Kettler/Chief Photographer

Defense records 2nd playoff shutout

by **Scott Summers**
Chief Reporter

An all-day bus trip to the home of the No. 2-ranked team in the state for a quarterfinal playoff match could easily be the downfall for many high school football teams.

But, the No. 7-ranked Maryville Spoofhounds turned out victorious in a 36-0 rout of the California Pintos.

Maryville improved its overall record to 11-1 on the year, and the Pintos ended their bid for a perfect season, also dropping to 11-1 overall.

Only 43 seconds into the opening period, the Spoofhounds found the end zone. Justin Cracraft, senior running back, found a hole and exploded for a 47-yard touchdown run.

It was not long before the potent Maryville defense put the 'Hounds on the scoreboard again. Mike Nanninga, sophomore running back and a

replacement on the defensive line for the injured Doug Mackey, was given credit for a safety after the Pintos' quarterback tried to avoid a sack in the end zone, but was called for intentional grounding.

With 8:26 left in the first quarter, Otte scored on the option keeper to the right side to make the Maryville lead 16-0.

After that, the 'Hound defense was an impenetrable wall, coming up big on more than one occasion. The defense stopped California on fourth-and-four in Maryville territory, and again on fourth-and-goal from the seven-yard line.

With 39 seconds remaining in the first half, the Spoofhounds benefited from a Pinto mistake when the ball squirted through the punter's legs, and the 'Hounds took over.

As the clock ran down, Otte found Adam Weldon, senior split end, streaking through the end zone with 13 seconds to play. The

Spoofhounds took a 23-0 lead into the locker room at halftime.

Maryville kept the Pintos off the scoreboard and scored two touchdowns of their own to complete the 36-0 win.

The Maryville defense continued its impressive play. The big unit has given up only 45 points all season, and the Spoofhound defense has not allowed more than seven points in any single game all season, nor has it allowed any points in the fourth quarter.

Head coach Chuck Lliteras said the tough defense was a very important factor.

"The defense hung in really well," Lliteras said. "We had a lot of hats on the ball. The defense was pursuing as good as we have in awhile."

The 'Hounds next game will be at 1:30 p.m. Saturday in the 'Hound Pound when they try to tackle Branson in the semifinal game of the Missouri 3A State playoffs.



Sophomore Mike Nanninga takes a handoff at Wednesday's practice. The 'Hounds will need their running game working on all cylinders in order to continue in the playoffs.

Christina Kettler/Chief Photographer



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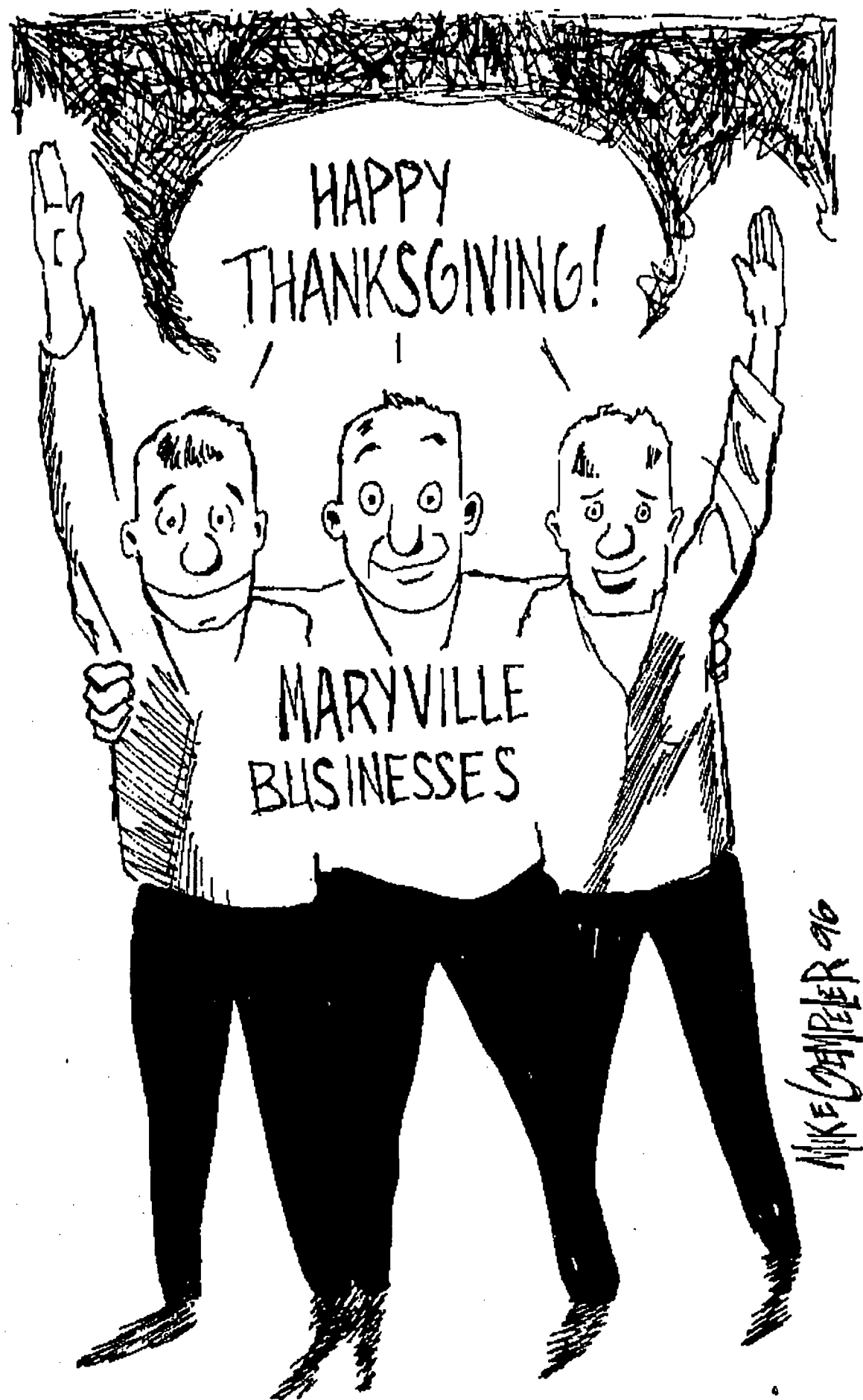
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Danish Immigrant Museum honors holiday with Julefest

by Christy Nelsen
Missourian Staff

Nestled in the small community of Elk Horn, Iowa, are two attractions that keep the spirit of an entire culture alive.

The Danish Immigrant Museum, located just nine miles off Interstate 80, is known for its preservation of the Danish American heritage. Visitors of the museum are encouraged to walk in the footsteps of the Danish immigrants and take a journey (as the museum's motto says) "across oceans, across time."

Twice a year, the residents of Elk Horn reach their peak of Danish pride. On the weekend after Thanksgiving, the town holds its Julefest which celebrates the Danish heritage through folk dancing, banquets and a parade. Residents dress in Danish garb and serve Danish food that Jeri Hemmingsen, a sales clerk at The Danish Mill Gift Shop, describes as "just fantastic."

Although the Danish Immigrant Museum held its grand opening in June of 1994, the concept of the museum dates back to 1979 when Norman C. Bansen first presented the idea of a Danish museum to the Danish American Heritage Society.

A committee was quickly formed, and in 1982, the building site of the museum was narrowed to Minneapolis, Minn., and Elk Horn. In 1983 it was decided that the museum would be located in Elk Horn.

"The Elk Horn site was chosen because it was the most concentrated area of Danish Americans in the country," Barbara Hansen, museum volunteer employee, said.

Many of the immigrants were dying and needed to establish something quickly that would preserve their Danish heritage, Hansen said.

The Elk Horn Lutheran Church saw this need and donated 20 acres of land on which the three-story building was constructed.

Visitors of the Museum take a step back in time as they enter the structure resembling a Danish farmstead. Housed in the museum are five permanent theme areas that include "The Decision to Leave," "Arriving in a Strange Land," "Travel to New Homes," "The Danes in North America" and "Bridges Across the Ocean." Visitors walk at their leisure through the self-guided exhibits that tell experiences Danish immigrants.

The museum houses many interesting items, including Victor Borge's Hindsburg piano, which he donated to the museum as a token of his own Danish heritage. Many artifacts, donated by Danish families, are displayed on the main floor of the build-

ing. Visitors can view a collection of hundreds of Danish Christmas and Easter Plates, clothing that is over 200 years old, kitchen-ware dating back to 1872 and the original trunks and suitcases of Danish immigrants.

Besides the museum's permanent displays are changing exhibits that are replaced every four to six months. Currently, there is a display of large model ships which replicate the vessels that the Danish traveled on in hopes of a better life.

The west wall of the museum displays a Wall of Honor with the names of approximately 3,000 Danish immigrants and the dates of their arrivals in America. The plaques were purchased by the family of an immigrant for \$200 to preserve their loved one's name in Danish-American history.

Other features of the museum include a gift shop with Danish novelty items and a third floor genealogy room that will soon be in operation. Using the internet, microfiche, and microfilm, Danish visitors will be able to trace their heritage back hundreds of years.

Located several yards from the main building is the Morning Star Chapel. Built in 1952 by Danish immigrant Charles Walensky, the little chapel contains four pews that each seat one person. The chapel was donated to The Danish Immigrant Museum last summer and saw its first wedding in its present location this July.

Museum employees said there is an enormous amount of work yet to be done.

Volunteers have spent countless hours collecting additional artifacts that will be displayed in a permanent gallery in the near future.

"There has been a tremendous display of enthusiasm and support," Hansen said.

The Danish Immigrant Museum is open everyday except Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day. Admission costs \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for children ages 6 to 12. Admission for children 5 and under is free.

Another Danish attraction in Elk Horn is the Danish Windmill. The mill, originally used to grind grain, was built in Norse Snede, Denmark in 1848.

In 1975, Harvey Sornson, a Danish-American, traveled to Denmark and was determined to bring the 60-foot-tall windmill back with him to

America.

The mill was purchased from Julius Hansen of Denmark. The total cost of the windmill, its dismantling and its shipping to the United States was \$100,000.

Because of Elk Horn's high Danish population, Sornson felt the town needed something like the mill to pay tribute to the proud Danish heritage. In anticipation of the windmill's arrival, residents of Elk Horn raised \$30,000 in a just a matter of days.

Julie Jensen McDonald, in her book "Definitely Danish," said the eight-sided windmill has a 30-foot base and weighs a total of 10 tons. The mill was originally built in Denmark by 12 men, working everyday for two years. It was constructed completely by hand, using hammers and chisels. Once the windmill had arrived in Elk Horn, the reassembling process was difficult and slow.

"The only blueprint they had was a model of the windmill," Hemmingsen said. The small wooden replica is housed inside the original windmill. It took a year to get the windmill back in working order, Hemmingsen said.

Every year, 80,000 tourists from around the world flock to the windmill to feel the spirit of Denmark.

Each visitor watches a 10-minute historical video before taking a climb up the three-story structure. The windmill attracts visitors from every state and travelers from Denmark everyday, Hemmingsen said.

The Danish Windmill is of great importance to the town of Elk Horn. At Christmas time, it is adorned with Christmas lights. On the day of a funeral, the windmill's fins are placed in the shape of a cross.

"It has really helped keep the Danish spirit thriving," Hemmingsen said. "It helped put southwest Iowa on the map."

A celebration similar to the Thanksgiving, called Tivoli Fest, takes place on Memorial Day weekend.

Danish or not, those who visit the town of Elk Horn are sure to have a meaningful journey across oceans and across time.

by Adam Buckley
Missourian Staff

Thanksgiving Day, otherwise known as "Turkey Day," is fast approaching. Most people are looking forward to a feast of food with all the usual trimmings, shared with family and friends.

For some, however, the idea of fixing a 20-pound turkey with stuffing, mashed potatoes and gravy and cranberry sauce is too fearful to think about. Luckily, if this is you, Maryville has the answer to that problem.

Most businesses will be closed on Thanksgiving, but those that are open will offer families and students stuck here for Thanksgiving break a chance to experience a traditional Thanksgiving meal without any of the work.

Regulars of Country Kitchen who have had their Thanksgiving meal there in the past can expect the buffet to be up and running this year.

Shannon Davolt, an employee at the restaurant, thinks the buffet attracts a small, but loyal gathering each year.

"The restaurant is a good place for elderly people to come who don't have families in town to celebrate with," Davolt said. "It's also good for big families who want to avoid preparing a huge meal."

Finding workers for this big day is hard, but they work around that problem. If an employee works one holiday, then that worker doesn't have to work the other two holidays, such as Christmas and New Year's. Having student workers who live in the residence halls poses another problem.

"The people who live in the dorms have to leave for break, so we don't require them to work," Davolt said. "Otherwise, employees can't ask off."

Country Kitchen's hours for Thanksgiving day will be from 6:30 in the morning until 3 p.m.

Golden Corral will be another restaurant that will offer a buffet to its customers on Thanksgiving. True, on any given day you go in to

the restaurant, a buffet is set up, but on Thanksgiving it will contain everything you'd expect from a traditional meal.

"The buffet will have turkey, ham and all the trimmings, and the bakery and beverage sections are also included, as well as the dessert bar," Brandi Coulter, an employee at Golden Corral, said.

The Thanksgiving buffet has been set up every year with favorable results.

"We had a pretty good turnout last year, and it was steady all day long," Coulter said. "You would think it would be more like single people who come, but I remember families coming in with children."

Coulter also said the restaurant is good for large families or those families who don't have a large house to meet, so they come to the restaurant.

Finding employees to work on Thanksgiving isn't easy for this restaurant, either. However, they take advantage of people who live in town to work.

"There are quite a few people who work here that live in Maryville, and some that live so far away that they can't go home, so they're willing to work," Coulter said. "We even have some workers who are in high school."

Restaurants are not the only businesses open in town on Thanksgiving. Procrastinators can guess what the other business is that's open: the grocery store.

The most popular customers to make last minute trips the grocery store on Thanksgiving are people who either have put off shopping for the big meal until the morning of, or who have forgotten a drastic ingredient that must be included in the meal.

One store that will be opened during its normal business hours is Food-4-Less. Jerry Veer, manager of the grocery store, believes it is profitable to be open on the holiday because enough people come in to warrant staying open. The other reason to stay open was decided upon higher up.

"It was basically a corporate

decision to stay open," Veer said.

Those customers who do shop on Thanksgiving are mainly popping in for some quick last minute items, Veer said.

This is especially the case with another grocery store in town that will be open, Hy-Vee. Manager Fred Von Behren sees mainly one type of customer during this big day.

"The 'oh my gosh, I don't have any more of this, honey run to the store and get this' type of customer," Behren said. "Usually the products they are getting are things they forgot to get the day before, and rush in to pick up."

However, Behren wonders how drastic it is for some people to get that last product to round out the perfect meal.

"A lot of times, (the products) are things they probably could get along without if they absolutely had to if nobody was open, but since we're here they're going to come get it," Behren said.

One thing that makes Hy-Vee unique is within the store is a deli, called V's Kitchen, that will have Thanksgiving dinner ready for customers to pick up and take home.

"All they have to do is pick up the box and go," Behren said. This is good for families who want a Thanksgiving meal without all the hassle of preparing it themselves.

Customers who come in will find workers ready to help them find whatever they need, and Behren doesn't think he will have a problem finding the right amount of help.

"Because we're not open all day, it's not a problem finding help," Behren said. "We use a whole lot more part-time workers, because for the full-time workers, having the day off is a benefit for them."

Consumers should be thankful for the businesses that are open on Thanksgiving Day. Employees will be working hard to provide a traditional dinner for Maryville residents.

The residents of Maryville will have a delicious Thanksgiving because of the willingness of employees to give up part of the day to serve others.

BUSINESSES WELCOME GUESTS TO ENJOY THANKSGIVING MEAL

You don't feel like enduring another day of slaving over a hot stove, cooking for 25 of your friends and family? No need to panic — Maryville businesses offer the perfect solution.

• Country Kitchen and Golden Corral will serve Thanksgiving meals buffet style.

• Country kitchen customers will have the opportunity to enjoy sliced turkey and ham, green beans, corn, stuffing, dinner rolls and pumpkin pie.

• Golden Corral will serve sliced turkey and ham, green beans, corn, stuffing, dinner rolls, cranberry sauce, sweet potatoes and pumpkin pie.

Easy and Tasty Recipes

Stuffing Casserole

1 box chicken flavor stuffing mix
1 5-oz. can chunk chicken
1 can cream of chicken soup
1 stick butter, melted
1/4 cup milk
Water to moisten

Mix dry stuffing with melted butter, add enough water to make mixture moist. Add soup, milk and undrained chunk chicken.

Bake in a casserole dish at 350 for 45 minutes until golden brown.

Cranberry Cobbler

1 package yellow cake mix
1/2 tsp ground cinnamon
1/4 tsp ground nutmeg
1 cup butter or margarine, softened
1/2 cup nuts (optional)
1 21-oz. can peach pie filling
1 16-oz. can whole cranberry sauce
vanilla ice cream or whipped cream

Preheat oven to 350. Combine dry cake mix, cinnamon and nutmeg in bowl. Cut in butter with two knives until crumbly. Stir in nuts; set aside.

Combine peach pie filling and cranberry sauce in ungreased 13x9x2 inch pan; mix well. Sprinkle crumb mixture over fruit.

Bake at 350 for 45-50 minutes or until golden brown. Serve warm with ice cream or whipped cream.

Cheese Potato casserole

2 lb. hashbrowns
1 can cream of celery soup
1 1/4 cup cheddar cheese cubed
2 cans cream of potato soup
1 cup sour cream

Do not thaw the hashbrowns. Mix all ingredients well.

Bake in an ungreased and uncovered 9x13 baking dish at 350 for two hours. Top should be golden brown.

Creamy Turkey and Broccoli

1 6-oz. package stuffing mix, plus ingredients to prepare mix
1 2.8-oz. can of french fried onions
1 10-oz. package of frozen broccoli spears, thawed and drained
1 1-1/8-oz. package cheese sauce mix
1 1/4 cups milk
1/2 cup sour cream
2 cups cubed cooked turkey

Preheat oven to 350. In a medium saucepan, prepare stuffing mix according to package directions; stir in 1/2 of french fried onions. Spread stuffing over bottom of greased 9-inch round baking dish.

In medium saucepan, prepare cheese sauce mix according to package directions using 1 1/4 cups milk. Remove from heat; stir in sour cream and turkey. Pour turkey mixture over broccoli stalks. Bake covered at 350 for 30 minutes or until heated through. Sprinkle remaining onions over turkey; bake covered five minutes.

Pumpkin Nut Bread

3 1/2 cups unsifted flour
2 tsp baking soda
1 1/2 tsp ground cinnamon
1/2 tsp baking powder
2 cups sugar
2/3 cup shortening
4 eggs
1 16-oz. can pumpkin
1/2 cup water
1 9-oz. package condensed mincemeat, crumbled
1 cup chopped nuts

Preheat oven to 350. Stir together flour, baking soda, cinnamon and baking powder; set aside. In large mixer bowl, beat sugar and shortening until fluffy. Add eggs, pumpkin and water; mix well. Stir in flour mixture, mincemeat and nuts. Turn into two greased 9-inch loaf pans.

Bake at 350 for 55-60 minutes or until wooden pick inserted near center comes out clean. Cool 10 minutes; remove from pan. Cool completely.

No-Bake Pumpkin Pie

1 egg
1 14-oz. can sweetened condensed milk
1 tsp ground cinnamon
1/2 tsp each ground ginger, nutmeg and salt
1 package unflavored gelatin
2 tbs water
1 16-oz. can pumpkin
1 graham cracker pie crust

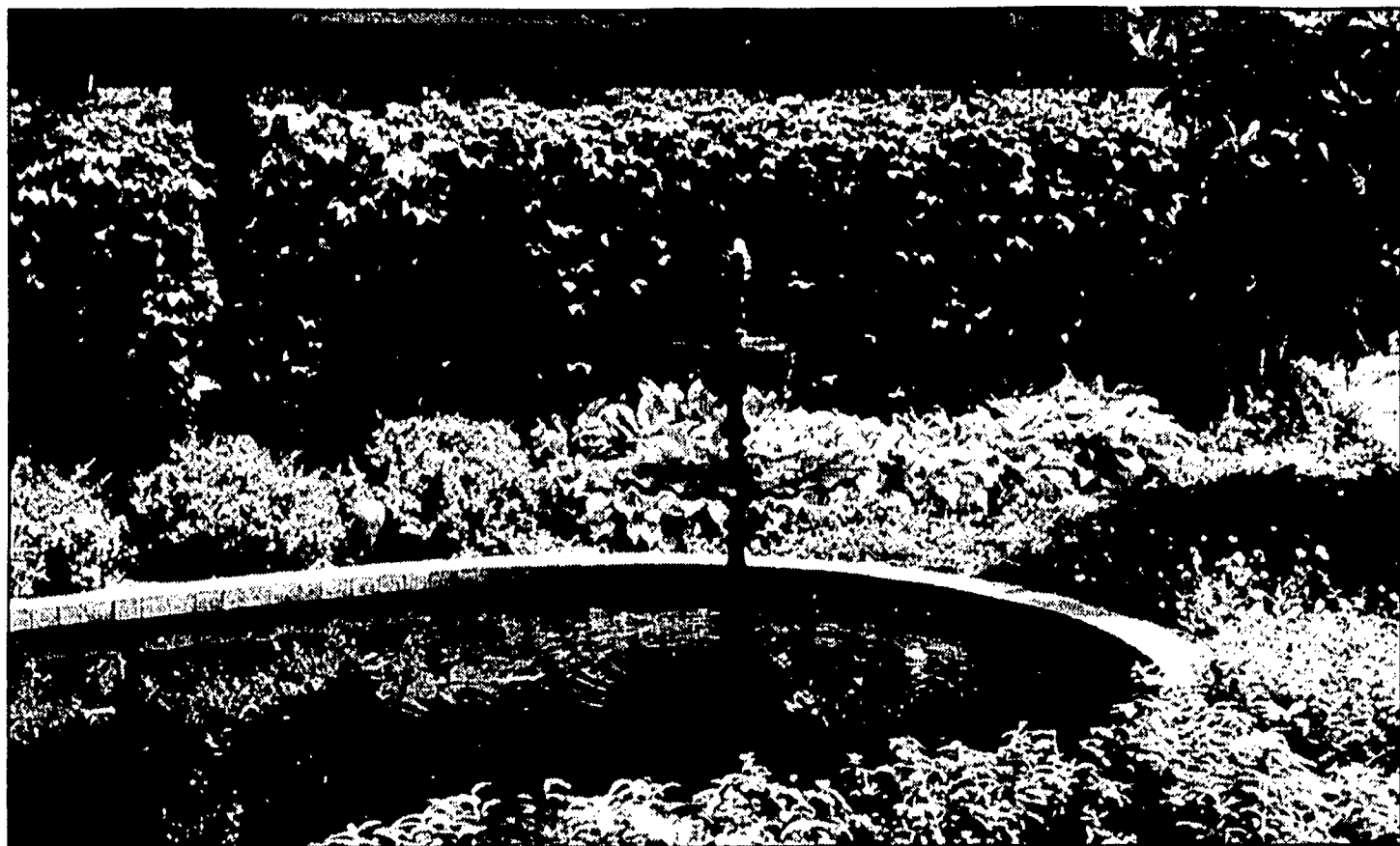
In medium bowl, beat egg; beat in sweetened condensed milk and spices. In medium sauce pan, sprinkle gelatin over water; let stand one minute. Over low heat, stir until gelatin dissolves. Add sweetened condensed milk mixture; over low heat, cook and stir constantly until mixture thickens slightly, 5-10 minutes. Remove from heat. Add pumpkin. Pour into crust. Chill four hours or until set. Garnish as desired. Refrigerate leftovers.

Cranberry Crumb Pie

1 9-inch unbaked pastry shell
1 8 oz package cream cheese, softened
1 14-oz can sweetened condensed milk
1/4 cup lemon juice from concentrate
3 tbs light brown sugar
2 tbs cornstarch
1 16-oz. can whole berry cranberry sauce
1/4 cup cold margarine or butter
1/3 cup unsifted flour
3/4 chopped walnuts

Preheat oven to 425. Bake pastry shell eight minutes; remove from oven.

Reduce oven heat to 375. In large mixer bowl, beat cheese until fluffy. Gradually beat in sweetened condensed milk until smooth. Stir in lemon juice. Pour into prepared pastry shell. In a small combine one tbs sugar and cornstarch; mix well. Stir in cranberry sauce. Spoon evenly over cheese mixture. In medium mixing bowl, cut margarine into flour and remaining two tbs sugar until crumbly. Stir in nuts. Sprinkle evenly over cranberry mixture. Bake 45-50 minutes. Cool.



Des Moines Botanical Gardens displays its beauty to visitors. Special events can be scheduled in the garden. Photo Courtesy of Heartland View

Beautiful gardens offer unique getaway

by Amy Jenkins
Missourian Staff

If the sight of beautiful plants and flowers and the incredible breath-taking smells that go along with them spark your interest, then spend the day in Iowa.

The Des Moines Botanical Center is located at 909 E. River Drive and exhibits one of the largest collections of ornamental and native plants in the Midwest, including more than 15,000 plants from tropical, subtropical and arid locations around the world.

The themes and plants change 10 times each year, providing a year-round sample of some of the most beautiful scenery along the one-fifth mile walkway.

The Center's historic dome is constructed of anodized aluminum and tinted, one-fourth inch thick Plexiglass. It is 150 feet in diameter and stands 80 feet tall at its tallest point.

The 665 triangular panels that make up the dome come in 27 sizes, but because right and left versions exist for each size, there are actually 54 different panels in the total configuration.

Underneath the dome lies some of the most beautiful flowers in the Plant Kingdom including more than 200 species and varieties of orchids on a rotating basis and is one of the most popular spots.

The famed Hirsch-Ladany bonsai collection is one of the 10 best in the United States. Several of the trees and bushes have been in training for more than 100 years.

The Botanical Center also houses the only outdoor cactus and succulent garden in the Midwest. Many of these cacti are winter-hardy.

However, plants and flowers are not the only things that you will find at the Des Moines Botanical Center. The Garden Cafe serves soups, sandwiches, non-alcoholic beverages and ice cream at moderate prices and has a wonder-



Photo courtesy of Heartland View
Rock-lined streams showcase examples of flora at the Botanical Gardens in Des Moines. The center is open throughout the year, unless inclement weather closes the garden.

ful view of the dome. Special menus for groups are available upon request.

Collectibles, horticultural books, birdhouses and garden tools can also be purchased at the Garden Gate Gift Shop.

Guided tours are available for groups of 10 or more by reservation on weekdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. You must give at least seven days advance notice.

"We usually give tours to approximately 10,000-12,000 students a year," educational curator Susan Ferguson said.

There is not an additional charge for these tours besides the Botanical Center's regular admission fee of \$1.50 for adults, \$.75 for senior citizens, \$.50 for children ages 6 to 17 and free admission for children 6 and under.

A variety of horticulturally oriented courses and workshops are offered for adults and children for a small fee on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, or Saturday mornings.

Some of the classes offered in November and December are Rose Gardening, Fall Pruning Workshops, Fall Flower Arranging and Holiday Wreaths and Bows. For more information call Ferguson at (515) 242-2934.

The Botanical Center provides a beautiful background for business meetings, parties, seminars and weddings throughout the year in several of its different rooms.

"Anything you want to have in a beautiful place, you can have here," Ferguson said.

Individual and family memberships are available for \$20 and \$30. There are several benefits to having a membership, such as free admission to the Botanical Center and participating centers around the world and discounts on all Garden Gate Gift Shop purchases.

The Des Moines Botanical Center is open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Thursday, from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Friday and from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

The only times the center is closed is during inclement weather and holidays.

InReview

Sunset Grill in St. Joseph touts unique atmosphere

by Adam Buckley
Missourian Staff

Nestled along the Missouri River is a hidden jewel called the Sunset Grill restaurant, but don't let the scenic drive to get there fool you.

After driving about two miles through pure country, one would expect to find some little family restaurant that serves old-fashioned hamburgers and mashed potatoes and gravy. Instead, one finds upscale ambience and high-quality food, with a view unique of St. Joseph.

The manager of the Sunset Grill, Jari Kosola, took over the restaurant on Feb. 15. The transitions have been fairly smooth, with only some minor changes to the restaurant.

Kosola has had experience in managing water-front properties in other cities, so he knew what he was doing when he took over. He was in charge of a restaurant in Mankato, Minn., for five years before he came here.

"I saw this restaurant as having great potential, even though the restaurant was going through some hard times," Kosola said. "I was asked to come in and turn the restaurant around."

Which is exactly what he did. Before Kosola came in, the restaurant was more upscale.

Now, the ambience is a more casual upscale—a good place to come and relax in a quality atmosphere, without the stuffiness of a fancy restaurant.

This lack of formality allows the Sunset Grill to have a varied customer base.

The college crowd comes out on Sunday nights when a disk jockey is featured, or on special occasions.

People drive from Nebraska and Kansas City to check out what the restaurant is like. The residents of St. Joseph are good customers, too.

"Primarily, we have a small customer base of local residents," Kosola said. "They are very loyal, and will come out at least once a week."

One reason they come so often is for the quality food offered. One item that is very popular is the catfish.

"If we opened up this restaurant and served only catfish, we would still make it," Kosola said.

The prime rib is another speciality, served with a quality au jus. Many items on the menu are traditional selections with a fun twist.

One of these is the serving of prawns wrapped in bacon and put over a mesquite broiler.

Kosola added a new twist to the food at many restaurants he's worked in. More elegant restaurants, like Sunset Grill, allow him to improve his creative skills with the food.

"My signature dishes are going to be primarily the Italian specialties, with a strong emphasis on the fresh seafood we have," Kosola said. "Of course, what you like to eat the most is what you cook the most."

A few changes for the winter will occur at the restaurant to improve customer turnout. The outside deck that offers dining with a spectacular view of the Missouri River will become more winterized. Glass panels will be installed, and a fireplace will be added in the center of the deck to keep things warm.

In the spring, the glass will be removed and replaced with screens. "I can't think of a better spot to come in the winter for great food and a great view," Kosola said.

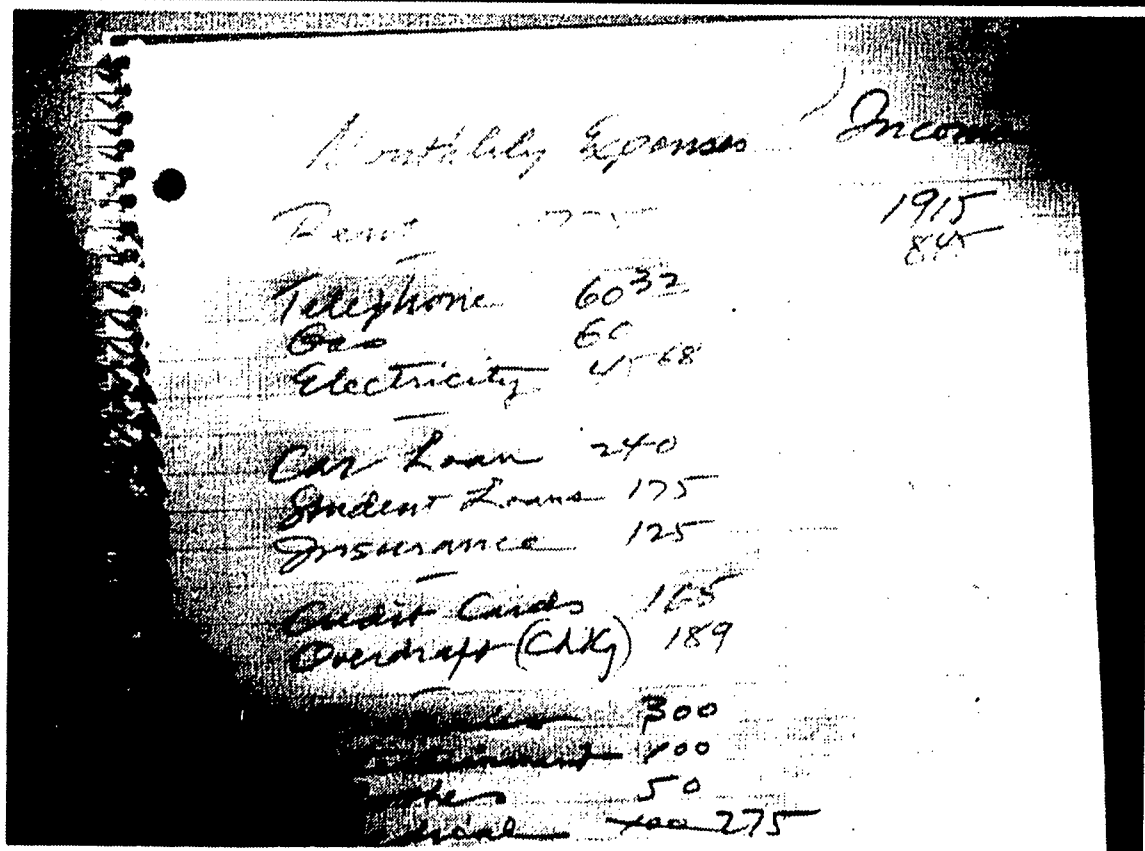
On Sunday nights, the restaurant has a disk jockey that comes in to offer entertainment, and the lounge area is very good for socializing. Sunset Grill is located about two miles off highway 229 and the signs clearly mark the way.

If you have any questions, or would like to make a reservation for dinner, call (816) 364-6500. The restaurant is open 11 a.m.-8 p.m. Monday through Friday; 11 a.m.-10 p.m. Friday and Saturday; and 11 a.m.-9 p.m. on Sunday.

The rating system

A - A dining experience. The food tasted like quality and you get the most bang for your buck.
B - Better than your average restaurant with quality dishes and service.
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Yours Truly battles The Phantom and fights vacation policy

After last week's column, I'm sure all of my fans (both of them) are wondering how I escaped from the deadly deathtrap of the Phantom. So without further ado, let's go back in time and find the solution. As you recall, Your Man was trapped in a bathroom stall unable to move. All my super weapons were absolutely useless. Fortunately, I was able to grab my keys and cut through the toilet paper. I had escaped from the vile clutches of The Phantom once again.

However, I soon realized how narrow my escape was, so I would try again to find a trusty sidekick. Knowing that "Jackie" was out of the picture, I decided to try my luck elsewhere, but a strange twist of fate would soon make a sidekick unnecessary.

As I was walking to the deli one night to enjoy a lovely Mexican dinner, I saw a strange figure walking outside the Student Recreation Center. Curious, I began to approach this gentleman and instantly recognized him as The Phantom.

I was able to take a good look at his face (instead of something else) and for the first time, I realized where I had seen him before. He was an official from the Pittsburg State game.

Your Man became enraged when he discovered The Phantom's true identity. The man poops in the shower and then he gives us another load of crap on Saturday. Was there no stopping this man?

Enraged, I jumped out of the bushes and instantly attacked The Phantom. We had an even fight for a while, but my knowledge of the campus worked in my favor.

As we continued to trade blows, I managed to walk him over to a steam pipe. Knowing to hold my breath after my many years on this campus, I pushed The Phantom into the steam, and he was overcome by the fumes.

I then pushed him into Colden Pond, knowing no one could escape from the oozy muck. As The Phantom emerged from the water looking like the creature from the Black Lagoon, he was weighed down so heavily that I easily took him to the proper authorities.

Because Campus Safety was so pleased with my valiant efforts, I was able to take some time off. I was glad for the opportu-

nity because it allows me to attack another problem that has bothered me for years. Mainly, it is the fact that we have to go to classes for two stupid days before Thanksgiving vacation.

When I do go home for Thanksgiving, my friends have already been home for four glorious days. Then they start sarcastically saying how their school is better than Northwest because they have longer vacations.

In order to defend our University's honor, I think it would make more sense to let us out on Friday, even though it would give us (gasp!) a whole week away from school. Many teachers even cancel classes as a type of protest. Very little gets done in those two days, and nobody wants to be here anyway.

The only reason I have fought for this cause is because Northwest has mimicked the way Missouri Western schedules its Thanksgiving vacation. This is something Your Man can't understand. When it comes to sports, we hear all this rhetoric about how Missouri Western is our enemy and how inferior they are.

However, it appears they are actually more superior than we are because they are capable of making a decision on their own without seeing what all the other colleges in the conference do on the same matter. Northwest, on the other hand, must model itself after other colleges.

For Your Man, this year's "vacation" will mean little more than the fact that I won't be here. At last check, I will have a project and a paper for one class, a 5-6 page paper for a second class and the possibility of a third paper for another class.

Hopefully, I will be able to sit through at least one football game, but all of the work is worth it just to know that my professors will be working just as hard as I will be over this unjustly short Thanksgiving vacation.

At any rate, Your Man does not think any complaining on his part will change anything. Perhaps it would be better to call Missouri Western to ask them to change their policy. Does anyone have their number?

The Stroller has been a tradition at Northwest since 1918.

Weekly Crossword

ACROSS

1 Neck napkins
5 Unhappy
8 "— old cowhand..."
12 Suit to —
13 Fruit drinks
15 Egypt's river
16 Rent again

DOWN

18 Mona —
19 Move smoothly
20 Errs
23 Motored
24 — Diego
25 Bog
29 Giggly sounds
33 Came up
34 On the briny

ACROSS

35 Statute
36 Disencumbers
37 Less in numbers
39 Excavation
40 Foot appendage
41 Burrowing mammal

DOWN

42 Davis or Middler
43 Noisy sleepers
45 Most recent
46 Exist
47 Above
49 Succeeds
55 Caron film
56 Comparison word

DOWN

57 Make very happy
59 — even keel
60 Kind
61 Man on a pedestal
62 Trill
63 Legal matter
64 Armored vehicle

DOWN

1 Legally stop
2 Small piece of news
3 Lugosi of films
4 Search
5 Side dish
6 — a dozen
7 Arnaz of television
8 Babe
9 Cow's product
10 Medicinal plant

Answers to last week's puzzle

PIPE DAMP RAPID
AVON ELIA ELITE
RANO COST TALON
ENDURANCE ARENT
LUNE SLIM
BUFFET UNSEAT
OTIS HASTE MAR
RIB SHELTER ORE
ICE CONEY STOA
SARAH'S PATENT
TOES MENU
ERATO CREDITORS
PUPIL RARA TRUE
ISERE ANIL EDIT
CEDED PITS RONS

11 Fresh
14 More impudent
17 Effectively concise
21 Distress signal at sea
22 British farewell
25 Trading centers
26 Sky hunter
27 Western show
28 Fool
29 Mao — tung
30 Upper crust
31 Carries on
32 Sugary
34 Wonder
37 Wooded areas
38 City railways
39 Encountered
41 Only
42 Wilkes —, PA
44 Gardener's chore
45 Part of a journey
47 Chicago's airport
48 Ails
49 Kind of skirt
50 Ladd or Alda
51 Thunder god
52 Landed
53 Artistic movement
54 British school
55 — Angeles, CA
58 Antlered animal



Weekly Events



Kansas City

Nov. 21 - Melissa Etheridge, Municipal Auditorium. Concert begins at 7:30 p.m. Tickets cost \$35.

Nov. 21 - Newsboys with Geoff Moore and the Distance and Plankeye, Memorial Hall. Concert begins at 7:30 p.m. Tickets cost \$16.50.

Nov. 22 - Rudy Rotta Band, Grand Emporium, 3832 Main. Begins at 9:30 p.m. Tickets cost \$5. Must be 21 with ID.

Nov. 26 - Roomful of Blues, Grand Emporium, 3832 Main. Must be 21 with ID. (531-1504)

Nov. 27 - They Might Be Giants, Memorial Hall. Concert begins at 7:30 p.m. Tickets cost \$15. (931-3330)

Nov. 29 - Rusted Root, Memorial Hall. Concert begins at 8 p.m. Tickets cost \$17.50.

Nov. 30 - Pantera, Memorial Hall.

Concert begins at 7:30 p.m. Tickets cost \$20 in advance and \$22.50 the day of the show. (931-3330)

Des Moines

Nov. 21 - Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat, Des Moines Civic Center. Show begins at 8 p.m. Tickets cost \$18-\$38.

Nov. 27 - Walt Disney World On Ice, Veterans Auditorium. Show begins at 7 p.m. Tickets cost \$5 - \$15.

Nov. 29 - Mannheim Steamroller, Civic Center. Show begins at 8 p.m. Tickets cost \$24.

Dec. 6 - Des Moines Symphony Snowflake, Des Moines Civic Center. Concert begins at 7 p.m. Tickets cost \$6 - \$16.

Omaha

Nov. 22 - Jars of Clay, Civic

Auditorium Arena. Begins at 7:30 p.m. Tickets cost \$16.75.

Nov. 24 - Descendants, Ranch Bowl. Concert begins at 8 p.m. Tickets cost \$8.

Nov. 25 - Dishwala, Ranch Bowl. Concert begins at 9 p.m. Tickets cost \$12.50.

Nov. 27 - Walt Disney World On Ice, Veterans Auditorium. Begins at 7 p.m. Tickets cost \$5.50 - \$15.

Dec. 1 - Dave Matthews Band, Omaha Civic Auditorium. Show begins at 7:30 p.m. Tickets cost \$22.50.

Dec. 2 - Mojo Nixon, Ranch Bowl. 21 and over show. Concert begins at 9 p.m. Tickets cost \$7.75.

St. Joseph/Maryville

Nov. 21 - Alternative band "Clutter," Leaded Bean. Begins at 8 p.m. Tickets cost \$2 at the door.

Nov. 30 - Sawyer Brown, St. Joseph Civic Arena. Begins at 8 p.m. Tickets cost \$17.50 - \$20.50.

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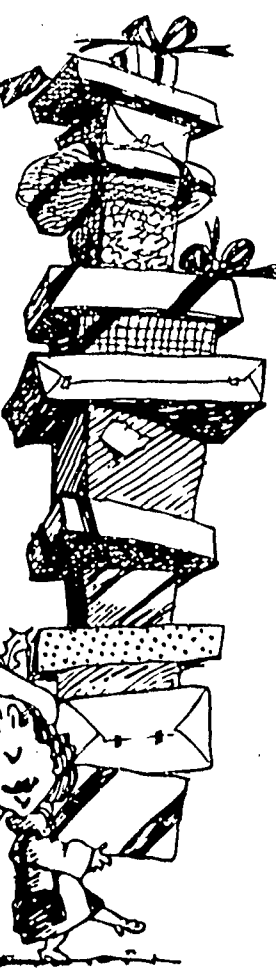
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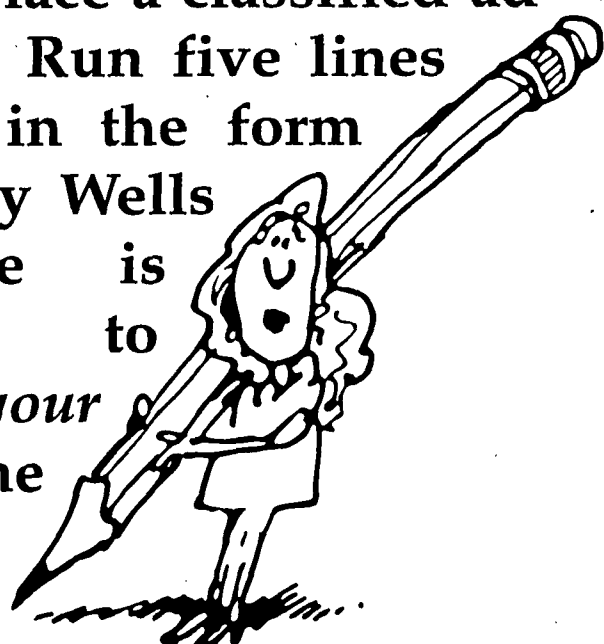
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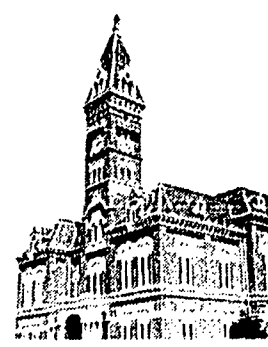
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What happened?

The Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity house caught on fire just before 11 p.m. Saturday night.

What was lost?

The house, particularly the third floor, was completely destroyed, and residents lost most of their belongings.

TKE HOUSE IN RUINS



Where are they?

Some of the house residents are living on campus, while others are staying with friends.

Want to help?

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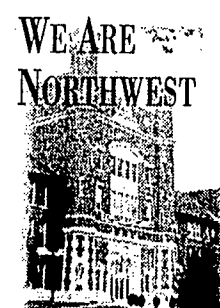
Sifting through the ashes



Maryville firefighters battle a blaze that engulfed the second and third floors of the Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity house late Saturday night. Although the water and fire damage was extensive, TKE members were able to retrieve some personal and charter items.

COPING WITH LOSS

Members try to recoup after losses



TKE men search for personal belongings in fire's charred aftermath

by Jacob DiPietre
Chief Reporter

Water dripped off the charred remains of the inside of the Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity house earlier this week, as members rummaged for any piece of memorabilia or belongings they could find.

The house caught on fire Saturday night, and the 16 men who lived there were stripped of their home, all they owned and an important part of their fraternity — all in one night. Those living on campus also suffered loss. New member Tim Curran said he feels left out of memories that he could have had in the house.

"I'm cheated out so many memories in that house," Curran said. "Just like everyone else."

Memories are the only thing left as Jay Davidson said he under-

stands how Curran feels. Davidson is a fifth-year senior and pledged the fraternity in the fall of 1993. Davidson said he felt like a part of him died with the house, but he will always have the memories.

"I felt empty inside when I saw the house on fire," Davidson said. "I have a lot of memories in that house — the house is gone but the memories are still here."

Like Curran, many members feel something was stolen from them. House manager Mac Lee said he had to start all over, but he is still upbeat about his future as well as the future of the fraternity.

"I had to find a new place to live and find a new place to hang out," Lee said. "I feel saddened about what happened but remain optimistic about the future."

While Lee has a bright outlook,



Greg Dalrymple/Photography Director
Craig Ulrich, Tau Kappa Epsilon member, reacts to the destruction of the TKE fraternity house Saturday.

See TKE, page 6

Fire puts damper on week

by Rob J. Brown
University News Editor

The Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity lost more than a house and some belongings Saturday night — it also lost decades of memories.

A blaze ignited the house, 222 W. Cooper, at 10:50 p.m. Saturday, officials said. It began in a vacant room on the third floor and eventually spread throughout that floor and partially onto the second.

Although the fire troubled firefighters until well into the morning and engulfed a significant portion of the house, no casualties occurred.

Throughout the week the organization continues to deal with the fire that ruined their home and destroyed memories of the turn-of-the-century home.

Ben Haskamp, TKE member, was the first of the occupants to catch the signals of the fire. He and Tracy Bottoms, new member educator, flushed the house of the three other occupants and called 911 shortly after.

Joe Brannen, chapter president, was awakened by Bottoms and rushed out of the house, without clear knowledge of what was going on.

"Next thing I know I was outside," Brannen said. "I rounded the corner of the house and flames were already shooting out of one of the windows."

Public Safety officers arrived to the scene in minutes, while the first pumper began combating the fire 60 seconds later.

Lt. Phil Rickabaugh, Maryville Public Safety fire division, lives only a block from the fraternity house and realized this fire would be devastating.

"I knew right then when I walked out my door that we had a pretty good working fire on our hands," Rickabaugh said.

In the initial attack, firefighters took a pump into the house, attempting to slow the fire from the interior. But after reaching as far as the second floor landing, the two crew members backed out in care of personal danger.

"We sent a team inside for an interior attack to try to go up and

See FIRE, page 6

University examines learning

Former Stanford professor urges Northwest to look at new method

by Lonelle R. Rathje
Editor in Chief

Quick reader.

A fast grasp on the situation.

Who spoke?

The president of the Jackson Hole Higher Education Group visited Northwest.

What did he say?

He is advocating an Accelerated Learning Methodology at colleges in place of traditional learning. Will Northwest adopt this?

Right now, the University is just looking into the issue, not making any final decisions.

Employers are not searching for merely a college graduate, rather they are looking for graduates who have mastered their fields — a characteristic today's graduates lack.

Or so said William Massy, president of The Jackson Hole Higher Education Group and former director of the Stanford (University) Institute for Higher Education Research.

He paid a visit to Northwest Tuesday with a two-fold agenda: To not only assess the networking computer plan, but also to primarily discuss the Accelerated Learning Methodology.

Employing Accelerated Learning could possibly change the traditional learning environment of a typical Northwest class.

Some students now slip through courses with low grades, having never mastered the curriculum; however, in the world of Accelerated Learning, students cannot move on to another class until they have met the mastery requirements.

University President Dean Hubbard stressed that in this world, time is the variable, and the focus on learning is the constant.

Days of merely listening to passive lectures would be synonymous with a past era. Rather, professors would act as mentors, turning student teams loose to utilize hands-on technology en route to mastering the coursework.

"We really want to empower the amount of quality time with the students," Massy said.

It is the students' prerogative to test out of the course at their own pace, ultimately resulting in graduating earlier for some.

Massy said these net results would alleviate current employer concerns that today's college graduates are ill prepared for their fields.

"I think there is room for when the world shifts in technology as it has now, that the institutions that were stronger in the old world will not be stronger in the new world," he said. "This is simply because they don't have the initiative to change."

Because technology changes communication, Massy said faculty must find ways to shift from a passive to an interactive teaching model.

"We are in the early stages of learning how to build technology into higher education," Massy said. "Technology is not an education. It's training. That's where you build the human interaction into it."

So Massy sees Northwest as the leader in this change, which was why he discussed components of the teaching method with 26 faculty Tuesday — some of whom have already implemented similar teaching methodologies.

Although Northwest may not integrate Accelerated Learning for an indefinite period of time, the chemistry/physics department is among a few University departments that have explored new, more interactive teaching methods.

For example, John Shaw, assistant professor of physics, is in his first year of using a studio class method. It centers around integrating interactive lectures, homework and experiments into a lab setting where students can see the relationship of each element.

Assessing the quality of this teaching style is still

See LEARNING, page 5

School district prepares for accreditation visit

by Scott Summers
Chief Reporter

The Maryville School Board met Wednesday night to discuss upcoming business issues within the district.

Coming up Dec. 2-4, the Missouri School Improvement Program Review Team will visit the school district. The MSIP team will determine the district's accrediting.

Maryville Superintendent Gary Bell said the district will be ready for the visit since the middle of last year, Bell said.

"We have been busy preparing for the visit since the middle of last year," Bell said.

The Board also said the Project Review Team chose five architectural firms of the 15 that applied to the Board to interview.

Firms chosen include Dana Larson Roubal & Associates, Frangkiser & Hutchens, Gould Evans Goodman Associates, WRS Inc. and Leo A. Daly.

Bell said the team reviewed firms in many different areas in hopes of finding the best one.

"All 15 are quality firms, but the team thought these five were the best," Bell said. "The Board will have a number of questions for each firm (at the interviews)."

The Board has scheduled the interviews for Dec. 4-5.

The Board also announced the dates for candidates to file for the April 1 School Board election.

Candidates may file between Dec. 17 and Jan. 14. Candidates must file at the administration office at the high school.

A recommendation was made to the Board that if consider cutting regular business meetings to one per month, instead of the current two. The Board will consider the recommendation at its next scheduled meeting at 7 p.m. Dec. 3 in the administration building.

Agents charge man in local woman's death

Colorado inmate faces federal prosecution for 1990 homicide

by Ruby Dittmer
Community News Editor

A federal grand jury in Kansas City indicted a Colorado man Wednesday in relation to a homicide that allegedly occurred in Maryville six years ago.

Herbert J. "Tug" Emery, 42, of Kersey, Colo., is charged with one count of murder in relation to major drug trafficking. He is also charged with one count of murder with the intent to prevent the communication of information to a federal law enforcement officer, said U.S. attorneys D. Michael Green and Matt J. Whitworth in a press release delivered by Stephen L. Hill Jr., U.S. attorney of the western district of Missouri at a press conference Wednesday.

Emery is charged in the Aug.

4, 1990, death of 32-year-old Christine A. Elkins, a Maryville resident. Elkins had been working as an informant for state and federal law enforcement agencies in the investigation of methamphetamine trafficking in the Maryville area.

Keith Wood, director of Maryville Public Safety, described the case as "a six-year-old homicide that we are starting from scratch six years later."

Wood also said the investigation was initiated through law enforcement means over the past six years.

"Maryville Public Safety has been involved with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms investigating a very complex homicide that we believe to be associated with narcotics trafficking in and around Maryville," Wood said.

Wood also said the indictment

See MURDER, page 5



Greg Dalrymple/Photography Director
Stephen L. Hill Jr., U.S. attorney for the western district of Missouri, speaks at a press conference Wednesday regarding the case of a Colorado man charged with the murder of a Maryville woman who was reported missing six years ago. The press conference took place in the Council chambers in City Hall.

OurView

OF THE CAMPUS

University aids Greeks after fire engulfs house

Even before the last flames had been distinguished at the Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity house Saturday night, questions were flying:

- Where will they stay tonight?
- What about their clothes, money, computers and other personal belongings?
- How will they finish their coursework with no books or research?
- Will they be able to save their charter?
- Can they save anything at all?
- What are they going to do now?

Luckily and swiftly, Northwest and the community stepped in during a time of need.

For this, all the good Samaritans in our town should be commended for their selfless acts of kindness after a true hell week for one of Northwest's Greek organizations.

The examples of their generosity shine through the despair:

- Northwest offered the 16 men who were made homeless by the fire a place to live on campus.

Instead of paying for a semester's stay, they can pay just for the nights they stay.

Some opted to take the offer while

the others chose to stay and live with friends.

• The University is not charging the students for the textbooks that were destroyed and will supply replacement books.

• Two of the fraternity members belong to EC+ and suffered the loss of their laptop computers.

Northwest has supplied two loaner computers so the students can finish the semester.

In addition, the Greek community has stepped up to the challenge of helping an organization in need.

Some groups have donated money, while others have provided food or offered housing.

Volunteer residents stepped in on the cold, rainy night of the fire to give members

coffee and to warm up their cars so the TKEs had a refuge from the cold.

Tragedy always seems to bring out the best in people, which makes up for the heartbreaking reality of a devastating fire.

We would like to think that the University would take these generous measures for anyone who suffers a debilitating tragedy.

Let's just hope the school never has to.



OurView

OF THE COMMUNITY

Holidays signal time to assist one another

As the weather gets colder and we head off to the shopping centers to buy consumer goods for our loved ones, it's also time to remember those who need a little help getting through this season.

Sometimes we need to help those who can't afford to pay their heating bill, let alone buy into the holiday joy.

Sometimes we need to help those who have recently undergone a tragedy such as a fire.

It's important to remember that needy families exist everywhere, not just in the big city.

There are opportunities to help those around you, even the smallest of towns. On campus, students can donate money directly from their Aladdin accounts, making it easy to donate to a family for Thanksgiving. Although this seems like a simple idea, this is the first year for this program.

In the community, food and clothing drives collect donations year round, with an emphasis on the holiday season. Although pay envelopes and collection boxes can be seen during the warmest months, it's when the bell ringers are found in shopping center doorways that we're most selfless.

Yes, giving never needs a season, but the cold, winter months combined with the warmth of holiday cheer make it easier to convince residents to donate to a worthy cause.

It can be hard to walk by the collection bin with your holiday parcels and not give something to those that you know will be needing it during the holiday season.

Giving means more than emptying your cupboards of canned water chestnuts. If you give food, make it non-perishable items you'd want to eat — canned fruits, macaroni, biscuit mix, dried milk, soups, baby food and crackers.

Don't forget other items including clothing, towels, blankets and personal hygiene products.

And perhaps the least expensive and most important contribution — time. Take some time to work at a shelter or deliver goods to those in need. Deliver meals to the homebound.

Call someone who needs to talk to a friend. Write a letter to the black sheep of the family. Open your heart instead of just your pocketbook. We're all willing to open our pocketbooks to fight off the guilt of not giving, but few of us are willing to donate our time. It's the one thing we have equal amounts of and the one thing we waste the most.

So as you sit down to give thanks for all that's given to you, remember those who are huddled around a slightly less-groaning table.

It is better to give than to receive. This year, let's take that to heart.



MyTurn

Values and ethics change in life



Jennifer Ward

Life is not what you always want it to be

My mother arrives in town tonight. I'll be heading off to the airport to pick her up and then it's three fun-packed days in Maryville.

Don't get me wrong, I love my mom. She gave birth to me. She raised me on her own for several years and then with a good man for several more. We get along great — when there's a couple of state lines between us.

It seems that somewhere along the line our values and ethics changed. For a long time we sought different things from life, and now we're both trying to figure out who we are. I always wanted the mom who knew who she was, the one who helped me with my homework every night, the one who always baked cookies for my friends and me. You know, a combination of June Cleaver and "Cybill."

My mom, on the other hand, always wanted the daughter who wore dresses to school, the one who

color coordinated her barrettes and socks, the one with a raging social life.

What we both got stuck with is a different story. I got a mom who has been divorced twice and is now with the "man of her dreams." She's made her way into the computer age by marrying a man she met through e-mail.

My mom got a daughter who doesn't know any of the rules concerning wearing white on Labor Day or matching pinstripes and plaids. I'm the kind of daughter who'd rather spend all day shopping for a new Macintosh than new Buster Browns.

We're getting along, though. Perhaps this weekend will be a test of our new-found friendship. Although we've always loved each other (isn't that a rule about family — you've got to love 'em?), we haven't really liked each other in quite a while.

It seems that graduation looming

on the horizon has given me the strength to tell my mom some of the facts of my life. I'm spending less time trying to please her and more time pleasing myself (not that classes are giving me much time).

And my mother's change of address and last name has given her the strength to face some of the mistakes she made in the past. We're both finding out who we are by looking at who we've been.

Overall it's pretty cool.

So while I'm pacing at the airport waiting for her flight to come in I'll still be nervous, but this time it'll be different. The pressure to impress isn't there. The pressure of being the perfect daughter isn't there. All I have to do is be myself.

Now I just wish I knew what to wear.

Jennifer Ward is the web editor for the Northwest Missourian.

MyTurn

Fast-paced city creates an aura of rudeness



Jackie Tegen

Chicago residents treat each other in uncivil manner

I admit that until late last week, I, along with most of the Maryville residents, took our quaint little town for granted. The small town atmosphere, the smiles from older residents and the silence of the streets at night, although pleasant, can at times feel boring.

Being from Kansas City, I have always enjoyed the sounds of horns, sirens and laughter coming from the downtown streets. Even though it technically was the "big city," I can honestly say I never felt that Kansas City had an aura of rudeness.

Chicago, on the other hand, does. My visit in this city not only left me tired and windblown, but also distressed with the way I was treated and with the way that Chicago residents treated each other.

The adventure started when I asked the concierge where the workout facilities were. Instead of answering my question, she snapped off assumptions of my right to use the workout station. My mouth only dropped farther when instead of apologizing, she blamed me for her outburst. Upon cooling off, I chalked this experience up to chance and set off for Michigan Avenue.

After dodging car upon car, I finally reached the street and immediately began to window shop. It was not 30 seconds later and I was being pushed and thrown around the sidewalk by people coming from both directions. I felt like one of the revolving doors that, needless to say, I was trapped in most of the day by the hustle and bustle of afternoon shoppers.

Understanding that Chicago is a more fast-paced world than Maryville, I quickened my pace and dodged the shoulders of the barefooted shoppers. Stopping at a cross walk to catch my breath and wait for the light, I noticed an older gentleman with a walker.

The light changed and the race began. I only had a few moments to glance back with the rush of the crowd to watch the man being swept away by the hurried streetwalkers.

By this time I had had enough. I stared at the people passing me in hopes that I could catch a smile, a smirk, something that would instill in me that someone had a gleam of kindness in them. What I found were looks that stared through me. Through my eyes I saw several people on the

go, but no one around me saw anything except their destination.

It took a trip to the 94th floor of the John Hancock Building to retrieve my hope in society. As I looked out the window onto the city below, I compromised. I put myself in their shoes. I accepted the fact that it is all too easy to get caught up in your duties rather than your surroundings.

Yet as I noticed my surroundings a wave of understanding passed over me. Instead of focusing on the rude people I encountered, I thought of the people I met who were the heart and soul of Chicago. I thought of Stan from packaging who delivered the boxes we needed with a smile, the busboy who helped us with directions and the people that held the door when they noticed I was behind them. It was those people that made Chicago a positive place to visit.

To all those people, Stan and the busboy, I say thanks for making the little town atmosphere alive in the harsh big city.

Jackie Tegen is a contributing writer for the Northwest Missourian.

LETTERS

Get out and cheer

Dear Editor,
I think Pitt State came in and made a statement that they are really behind their team! We can't even get that many people to a home game much less an away game.

I would really like to apologize to the Bearcat football team because there isn't much fan support for a team that was undefeated going into the game on Saturday.

Being a Bearcat cheerleader for four years, this has to have been the biggest game in Bearcat history. I had a fan ask me (with a Northwest Cheerleading jacket on) to sit down. I was in the stands trying to get the fans to yell, clap and make noise when she made that comment. However, I was very unsuccessful. What a disappointment to the football team when they don't feel like their fans care.

Please, if you are going to come to the games, make some noise, clap your hands and get on your feet. The football team really appreciates it and so do the cheerleaders.

If you were at the game Saturday you saw the stands filled with red. If only we could have the stands filled with green at every game.

Get out there and support your 10-1 conference champs because they have come so far. Thank you

to those fans that cheer, come to the away games and stay the entire game. See you Saturday in Omaha.

Carrie Belcher, Northwest cheerleading captain

Signs are unwelcome

Dear Editor,
As a Northwest student I want to express my concern about something that has been a recent topic of discussion on campus. One of the fraternities has signs posted advertising a fund-raiser they call a "Slave Auction." I, along with other students, find the use of that phrase offensive and racist. This is a University that is supposed to be committed to the idea of multi-culturalism and equal opportunity. We all know what image the words "slave auction" refers to in American culture. The use of those words does nothing but glorify a terrible time in our history.

Morris Dees, an attorney famous for his prosecution of white supremacy groups, spoke on campus last Tuesday night. He told a story about a 20-year-old black college student who was hanged by the Klu Klux Klan as an example to blacks. As I listened to that story, I wondered how it could be possible that today in the United States a young man could be murdered because of the color of skin. The answer is that it is possible because of the atmo-

sphere we create.

Pretending not to hear when someone makes a racist comment, not caring when a company like Texaco is found to be racist and saying that a sign is just a sign and doesn't really mean anything, are all ways that we make it possible for groups like the KKK to exist in our society. Most of us are not racist and do not support white supremacists, but most of us are not doing anything about it either. We all have the power to change our society. Let's start by paying attention to the language and images we use on this campus.

Jennifer Ellis, sociology major

Conduct disrespectful

Dear Editor,
Saturday, Nov. 16, 1996: Bearcats vs. Gorillas.

Rickenbrode Stadium was filled as Northwest fans turned out in force. Unfortunately, more than a select few individuals left their common sense and sportsmanship at home. Their display of sportsmanship, or lack thereof, was disgraceful and an embarrassment to the University.

I have traveled and watched the 'Cats play from the 1989 season (their last play-off appearance) through the low periods of the early 1990s. I have never seen such atrocious conduct. From throwing bananas, programs and toilet paper, to stealing the Pitt

State cheerleaders' sign, the behavior was deplorable.

The actions of these fans has given a bad name to all Bearcat backers and the University in general. If these individuals cannot cheer for the athletic teams in a true sense of sportsmanship, they should stay home. The Bearcats need support, but not from the socially immature fans I witnessed on Saturday.

True sportsmanship is about cheering for your team; rain or shine, win or lose. It's not about taunting and ridiculing opposing fans, cheerleaders, coaches and players. Behavior like that is simply disgraceful.

Rodney Lin Plerson, graduate student

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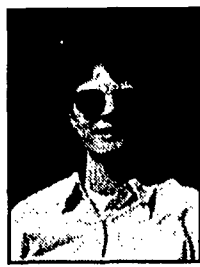
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NorthwestView

Parking problems continue to plague Northwest



Sharon Meadows

Campus Safety director focuses on solutions to parking issue

I have been fortunate in my life to have had the opportunity to experience the uniqueness of many cultures — Germany, Honduras, the East Coast and the west coast. The Midwest is no exception to my experience that every place is special and has beauty and qualities that make it a place that people are proud to call home. I am looking forward to enjoying the many sites and activities that I have heard much about. In the mean time, Northwest enjoys most of my time.

Unfortunately, my primary focus has been on the parking program.

I have met with different groups and interests on campus to assist in evaluating the parking program and develop strategies to reduce the difficulties we all experience. However, I must admit, I do think the commuter students have had the most difficulty finding parking. Before some of the lot designations were changed, there were three times more commuter permits issued than designated commuter spaces available. Now, the count is closer to two permits for one

parking space.

Several groups on campus continue to review the lot utilization, Traffic Court appeal approvals and signage ambiguity. The results have been several recommended changes that would better designate parking lots to reflect the usage, allow for clear signage and not reduce parking spaces for those (faculty/staff and commuter students) who search for parking daily.

The most recent recommended and approved changes have focused on the difficulty in lot 26, north of the library. I have been told, about a year ago that 26 of the spaces were designated for commuters in a lot that was all-resident parking. The problem has been making signage clear to everyone who enters the lot. So, following the recommendation of the Traffic Court, lot 26 will be changed back to resident parking starting Monday, Nov. 25. To address the loss of 26 spaces in lot 26, lot 17A will be for commuter students, faculty and staff only.

I suppose all this leads to the parking

tickets. Since September, 5,071 parking tickets have been issued to 2,806 violators. Of the violators, 1,824 (65 percent) received one ticket, 872 (31.08 percent) received 2-5 tickets, 106 (3.78 percent) received 6-15 tickets and 4 (0.14 percent) received 16 or more tickets; 1,539 (30.35 percent) tickets were issued to permit-holders who parked in areas designated for others, 2,032 (40.07 percent) tickets were issued to unregistered vehicles for failure to register or display a current parking permit and 1,500 (29.58 percent) tickets were issued for other violations. So the daily average Monday through Friday has been 100 tickets issued. There is usually 150 spaces available in lot 18, west of Mary Linn Performing Arts Center.

Given all this data, it is the opinion of many that available parking is not the issue. It is the availability of prime parking. It's only an opinion and we all know that everybody has one of those.

Sharon Meadows is the campus safety director for Northwest.

MyTurn

Hemp legalization leads to environmental benefits



Laurie Den Ouden

Even deep-rooted hatred of drug takes a back seat to benefits of marijuana

People are gradually becoming more environmentally conscious. As we begin to remove from our self serving ways, there have to be solutions to such problems as forest depletion, energy crisis, cleaner air and so much more.

Recently, a friend of mine enlightened my outlook on hemp, also known as cannabis or marijuana. I have always been the hypocrite in many people's eyes. I drank, often excessively and got myself into a lot of trouble, but on the other hand, I was an anti-drug activist and continually lectured people about drugs.

My hatred for "drugs" (my definition of drugs) constantly got me into arguments with many friends and people that I really cared for. They just labeled me the b-tch and tuned me out. But that didn't stop me, it only made me push harder to make them listen and understand.

I knew in a sense I was being a hypocrite, but I still felt so strongly about it that I argued my point profusely. (arguing is one of my best qualities ... and I'm never wrong) My argument was alcohol is only illegal if you are underage, but that didn't work because I am underage. So then I began to rationalize a little differently. I have seen so many

friends start out with pot and gradually move on to "bigger and better things." They began to try speed, heroin and cocaine. Then they saw the huge money potential and began to sell the stuff and score the easy cash.

I saw the way it tore them down and their families apart. They no longer cared about anything or anyone. The famous line became "I don't care what people think of me." It really got to me, and my way of fighting back was to "rag" on them.

For the first time the other night, I had a positive conversation with a friend I was concerned about. He listened to me and my viewpoint and I his.

Now, getting back to how I started this column out, the only reason he got me to listen was because of the benefits of hemp. If this was once again legalized in the United States, we could greatly profit both environmentally and economically.

Growing hemp actually gives back to the earth instead of taking from it. It doesn't strip the nutrients from the soil. During the growing season, hemp periodically sheds its leaves, both keeping moisture in and creating more topsoil.

Hemp can be used to make clothes instead of the infamous cotton. Cotton does

strip the earth of nutrients and takes longer to grow.

Hemp may also be used to make paper. Here's the big deal: It will begin to solve that pesky little problem called deforestation that has many problems all in itself.

There are just so many benefits to this widely-known plant, but so many people have their own connotation for the word marijuana. It is instilled in our heads that drugs are bad, and yes, marijuana is a drug. Although, when grown for industrial purposes the THC (the intoxication ingredient in marijuana) is so low that it is basically useless.

The reason marijuana was outlawed in the first place was due to fear of competition. It was hurting the new textile industries and the big companies started a campaign stating that marijuana was bad and Americans had a huge problem with it. So eventually, Congress went along with this idea and it has been illegal ever since.

I still have a fear of this substance being legalized, but the more and more I research its benefits, the more I am being convinced of its importance.

Laurie Den Ouden is the copy assistant for the Northwest Missourian.

IT'S YOUR TURN

What are you thankful for?



"I am thankful for my health and good friends."

David Wilson, Maryville resident



"My family that I don't get to see very often."

Missy Robinson, Maryville resident



"Good health and a good family."

Gary Ury, computers science instructor



"I get to go home and get a home-cooked meal and get away from classes."

Krissy Sparks, business education major



"Very lenient teachers at Northwest."

Doug Seldi, agriculture-agonomy major



"Thankful that I get to go home over Thanksgiving and see all my family."

Katie Whitney, ASAP employee

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PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

November 13

■ Fire units responded to a local business because its fire alarm had been activated. Upon arrival it was determined that someone had been cooking and scorched the pan, which activated the smoke detector.

■ An officer served a Municipal Court warrant for failure to appear to James A. Riley, 23, Maryville. He was released after posting bond.

■ An officer served a Municipal Court warrant to Christopher J. Hendren, 23, Maryville, for failure to appear. He was released after posting bond.

■ Heather V. Gore, Maryville, was traveling east on Fourth Street when Kathleen M. Baudino, Maryville, pulled into her path from Walnut Street. Gore struck Baudino, pushing her vehicle across the road and into Chia J. Lin, Maryville, who was stopped at a posted stop sign on North Walnut Street. A citation for failure to yield was issued to Baudino.

November 14

■ An employee of a local business reported that the air conditioning unit to the business was damaged. It was pushed off its concrete base, the grate on the corner was bent and the copper cooling hose on back of the unit was broken.

■ After receiving complaints of a trash violation in the 500 block of South Buchanan Street, a summons was issued to David B. Judd, 31, Maryville, for violating the city's trash ordinance.

■ An officer served a Municipal Court warrant for failure to appear on Earl D. Reno, 41, Maryville. He was released after posting bond.

■ Stacy R. Miller, Maryville, was attempting to make a turn from a private drive onto Seventh Street and pulled into the path of Phillip J. Simpson, Maryville, who was eastbound on Seventh Street. A citation for failure to yield was issued to Miller.

■ Officers responded to a domestic dispute in Hopkins. Robert E. Gigger, 20, Hopkins, was arrested on charges of assault and released on a summons.

November 15

■ An officer was on patrol in the 1000 block of South Main when he observed a vehicle pull from a private drive and fishtail back and forth in the roadway. The vehicle was stopped and while talking with the driver, Geoffrey S. Kramer, 22, Maryville, an odor of intoxicants was detected. He was asked to perform field sobriety tests which he could not complete successfully.

He was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated after his blood alcohol content tested over the legal limit. He was also issued a citation for excessive acceleration.

■ A 1987 Mitsubishi was towed from the 200 block of West Fourth Street where it was illegally parked.

■ A Maryville male reported the theft of a newspaper rack from the 1300 block of South Main Street. Estimated value was \$150.

■ While an officer was on patrol in the 500 block of North Buchanan, he observed male subjects walking and carrying bottles of beer. When they saw the patrol unit they attempted to conceal the bottles from the officer. They continued walking and sat the bottles on the bumper of a parked vehicle. The subjects were stopped and identified as Joseph P. Casady, 18, and Eric M. Irwin, 19, both of Maryville. They were issued summons for minor in possession.

■ An officer took a report from a Maryville male who reported the theft of seven flags and flagpoles. They were green with a white paw print and attached to utility poles in the 600 block of College Ave. The flags belonged to an organization. Estimated value was \$280.

■ Brianne L. Giles, Kansas City, and William J. O'Riley, Maryville, were both traveling north on Main Street in the turning lane. O'Riley was slowing down to stop when his vehicle was struck in the rear by Giles. A citation was issued to Giles.

■ Taffie J. Martin and Judy A. Bryant, both of Maryville, were traveling west on Fourth Street. Bryant turned into a parking stall and her vehicle was struck in the rear by Martin. Martin received citations for careless and imprudent driving and failure to secure a child in an approved child restraint.

■ Cynthia A. Schmitz, Ravenwood, and Libby J. Luckert, Maryville, were both traveling west on First Street. Schmitz was traveling in the inside lane and Luckert was traveling in the outside lane. Schmitz proceeded to change lanes and struck Luckert. A citation was issued to Schmitz for improper lane change.

■ Adam B. Lehmer, 21, Maryville, was arrested on an Andrew County warrant for passing bad checks.

■ Scott C. Meyer, 17, Maryville, was arrested on charges of minor in possession of intoxicants. He was released on a summons. A juvenile subject was also referred to the juvenile office.

■ Justin D. Armstrong, 20, and James L. Meyer, 19, both of Maryville, were arrested on charges of minor in possession.

They were both released on summons.

November 16

■ An employee of a local business reported that a female subject had left without paying for \$12.25 worth of gasoline.

■ A Maryville female reported the theft of three stone figurines from her business. Two were small boys and one was a rabbit. Estimated value was between \$100-150.

■ A local business reported that four Sharp Viewcams had been taken from the business without being paid for. Estimated value was \$3,226.

■ Fire units responded to the Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity house at 222 W. Cooper St. in reference to a structure fire. Upon arrival, smoke and flames were observed coming from a dormer on the south side of the roof and the fire spread throughout the top floor. The fire spread throughout the top two floors, but was brought under control. Five residents were present and escaped without injury. They said they smelled an odor when they walked into the hallway of the second floor. Later, they observed smoke and heat coming from the upstairs. They located the room that the heat and smoke was coming from and called Public Safety. Preliminary indications showed a malfunction with a space heater as the cause of the fire.

November 17

■ A Maryville male reported that person(s) had entered his residence. Drawers had been pulled out and dumped. Approximately \$85 was missing.

November 18

■ Keri A. Protzman, Maryville, was traveling north on Vine Street and while she was attempting to turn, she entered into the path of Chad A. Pedersen, Maryville. Pedersen could not stop in time to avoid the collision. A citation was issued to Pedersen for exceeding the posted speed limit and to Protzman for failure to yield.

■ Vickie Colvin, Maryville, was parked in the Maryville High School parking lot when her vehicle was struck by another vehicle that left the scene.

■ Erik P. Drake, Maryville, was backing his vehicle from a private drive and struck the vehicle of David A. Leivan, Maryville, who was southbound on Mulberry Street. Drake received a citation for careless and imprudent driving.

STUDENT/FACULTY DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE

Editor's Note:

For more information concerning the University's Judicial Code, refer to pages 45-52 in the 1996-97 Student Handbook.

October 24

■ In a case carried over from the spring session, a male student was charged with driving while intoxicated, endangering the health and safety of himself and others and failure to comply. He was found in violation of all three charges. As a result of the charges, he was dismissed for one year starting at the end of the fall semester, put on strict campus conduct probation and fined \$200.

■ In a case carried over from the spring session, a male student was charged with endangering the health and safety of himself and possession of drug paraphernalia. He was found in violation of both. He was placed on strict campus conduct probation, not including sections D-2 or D-4 of the University's Judicial Code, through May 17, 1997. He was also ordered to attend the After Hours program and fined \$75.

October 29

■ In a case carried over from the

spring session, a male student was charged with violating quiet/courtesy hours, failure to comply and violation of probation charge. He was found to be in violation of all three charges and placed on strict campus conduct probation through May 17, 1997, not including section D-4.

■ In a case carried over from the spring session, a female student was charged with a visitation violation, violating quiet/courtesy hours and violating her probation. She was found to be in violation of all charges and placed on strict campus conduct probation, not including section D-2 or D-4, through May 17, 1997. She was also fined \$25.

■ In a case carried over from the spring session, a male student was found to be in violation of quiet/courtesy hours and in violation of his probation. He was placed on strict campus conduct probation through May 17, 1997, restricted from entering the residence halls and fined \$50.

■ A male student was charged with operating a vehicle without a valid driver's license and was found to be in violation of the charge. He was placed on strict campus conduct probation, excluding section C, through May 17, 1997. He is also restricted from operating or parking a vehicle on campus for the duration of his probation.

CAMPUS SAFETY REPORTS

November 11

■ Campus Safety was dispatched to Millikan Hall in reference to a physical confrontation outside.

■ An officer was dispatched to Wilson Hall to investigate property damage to two doors.

November 14

■ Campus Safety was dispatched to investigate property damage done to

a vehicle parked in a campus lot.

November 15

■ Campus Safety was notified of activated fire alarms on the sixth and seventh floors of Dieterich Hall.

November 18

■ Campus Safety received a complaint of a peculiar odor coming from a room in Cook Hall.

OBITUARIES

Florence Newton

Florence Maxine Newton, 75, Maryville, died Nov. 12 at her home in Maryville.

She was born June 21, 1921, to Verney and Golda Beck in New Market, Iowa.

Survivors include one son, Donald Halstead; two daughters, Joyce Komers and Patricia Halstead; nine grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Services took place Nov. 16 at Price Funeral Home in Maryville.

Mary McBride

Mary McBride, 85, Barnard, died Nov. 14 at Maryville Health Care Center in Maryville.

She was born Oct. 29, 1911, to George and Maud May Sell in Barnard.

Survivors include two sons, Darrell and George; two daughters, Marilyn Hilsabeck and Kathleen Sexson; nine grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and two sisters.

Services took place Nov. 18 at Price Funeral Home in Maryville.

NEW ARRIVALS

Sydne Maelea Messner

Paul and Marla Messner, Graham, are the parents of Sydne Maelea, born Nov. 6 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

She weighed 8 pounds, 5 ounces. Grandparents are Marian and Raymond Mick, Skidmore, and Rhonda and Paul Roger Messner, Graham.

Austin Nicholas Rutherford

Scott and Carmen Rutherford, Fillmore, are the parents of Austin Nicholas, born Nov. 8 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He weighed 9 pounds, 5 ounces. Grandparents are Vic McGaughey, Moberly; Hazel Burnstein, St. Joseph; and Mary Rutherford, Fillmore.

Charles Joseph Anderson II

Charles and Nina Anderson, Stanberry, are the parents of Charles Joseph II, born Nov. 11 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He weighed 7 pounds, 4 ounces. Grandparents are Mary Bennett, Rosendale; and Kay and Jerry McMillian, Stanberry.

Isaac Rexmon Weed

Donnie and Shannon Weed, Bedford, Iowa, are the parents of Isaac Rexmon, born Nov. 12 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He weighed 8 pounds, 6 ounces. Grandparents are Rexmon and Barbara Hawn and Glenna Weed, all of Bedford.

Stacy Nichole Fisher

Kevin and Carla Fisher, Gentry, are the parents of Stacy Nichole, born Nov. 13 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

She weighed 9 pounds, 8 ounces. Grandparents are Doyn Jacobs, Worth; and Opal Fisher, Grant City.

Austin Lee Rickabaugh

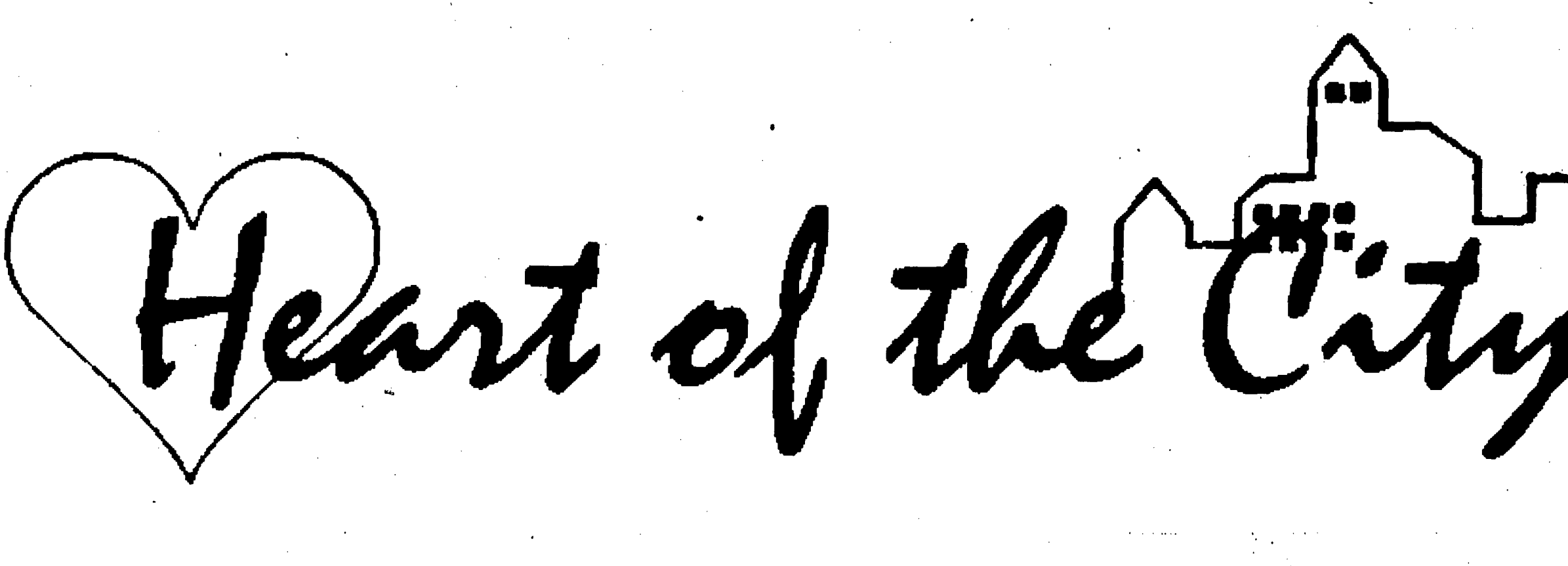
Todd and Rachelle Rickabaugh, Maryville, are the parents of Austin Lee, born Nov. 14 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He weighed 8 pounds. Grandparents are Marlin Heflin, Ann M. Heflin and Lynn and Nancy Rickabaugh, all of Maryville.

Dakota Bryan Beemer

James and Johnna Beemer, Maryville, are the parents of Dakota Bryan, born Nov. 14 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He weighed 8 pounds, 6 ounces. Grandparents are Jessie and Kathi Ridenour and Paul and Sue Beemer, all of Maryville.



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Campus Safety relocates spaces

Commuters gain parking behind Valk, lose 26 slots outside Owens Library lot

by Lindsey Corey
Chief Reporter

Once again a change in parking will be made to cut down confusion after more than 1,000 appeals were filed with the campus Traffic Court.

As of Monday Nov. 25 lot 26 will be strictly resident parking, causing commuters to lose 26 spaces in that lot.

The most common complaint came from people who were ticketed in lot 26, which is located behind Owens Library and next to Garrett-Strong.

"There is unclear signage in lot 26," Sharon Meadows, Campus Safety director, said. "The majority of complaints were for that lot, and the Traffic Court experienced difficulty in deciding whether or not the person should have known where they could park."

This year the traffic court has heard 1,204 appeals. Ninety were granted and 214 were denied, leaving the approval rate at about 30 percent.

"If we see a lot of confusion, we will make recommendations," said Kelly Ferguson, Student Senate vice president and Traffic Court chairman.

"In the case of lot 26, the decision evolved out of the Traffic Court committee pointing out the problem."

Commuters will lose 26 parking spots in the lot closest to the library, but they will gain 150 spaces in lot 17A located behind Valk.

"If you look at the raw numbers, it makes better sense," Meadows said.

Previously the lot had 150 spots designated for commuters and 150 designated for residents.

"We're not taking anything away from them (commuting students)," Meadows said. "We're giving them 150 spaces that they don't have to fight for."

Campus Safety completed utilization checks at night since Sept. 25. They counted vacant spaces in lots and figured averages and the patterns of usage.

"Residents don't move their cars," Meadows said. "Lot 17A is vacant the majority of the night, so this is the most reasonable and logical solution."

Students, faculty to showcase artwork

by Yvonne Kweh
Missourian Staff

The time has come again for the Art Education Club to have its annual Fine Arts Auction.

The event will be at 7 p.m. Friday, in Mary Linn Performing Arts Center.

This year will be the fourth auction the Arts Education Club has sponsored.

The auction will have works of art from Northwest students as well as faculty members.

Art professor Philip Laber will auction the items. This is Laber's second

year auctioning for the Fine Arts Auction.

"The auction is a very nice thing for the students," Laber said. "It enables them to show off their work, and it also has a degree of formality that makes you think you are somewhere uptown. It is very fun."

The department selects the best pieces submitted by students and faculty. There is usually a total of 40 pieces auctioned.

"It is a wonderful opportunity for students," auction chairperson Theophil Ross said. "It gives them the opportunity to exhibit and to share work with the public."

The Fine Arts Club is an educational group involved in different issues concerning the campus as well as Maryville. In its free time, the club enjoys participating in a lot of community services.

This year, the auction will serve as a fund-raiser for the Art Education Club's scholarship and operating funds.

"Half of the money earned goes to the artist and the other half goes to the Fine Arts Education Club, which uses some of the money they received to take care of the expenses of the auction," club sponsor Kim Spradling said.

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in the works, but Shaw has already witnessed a turnaround from previous years: A 90 percent attendance rate compared to 60 percent at this time last year, and a higher degree of positive attitudes.

"I certainly know students have been doing as well or better on their examinations than classes in the past," Shaw said.

Patricia Lucido, associate professor of chemistry, has searched for new ways to teach interactively over the years.

Lucido said using technology in lecturing, such as in Power Point presentations, creates a more efficient use of time, which in turn frees time to conduct more classroom activities.

"I am trying to take that passive lecture time and try and make an activity that sets a context for the lecture material," Lucido said.

Lucido said she hopes to develop interactive teaching tools that illustrate concepts that enable both her and the student to pinpoint the individual's weakness in the course.

"There have been a lot more positive reactions through the years," she said. "Many of the people I teach are not science majors and may never love science, but letting them become more science literate is a lifelong change."

Susan Sheets, an industrial/organizational psychology major enrolled in Lucido's physical science class, said she is pleased with the learning atmosphere.

"I know with myself, if I can relate (science) to my life, I can learn much better," Sheets said. "With (Lucido's) teaching style, she knows

"I think there is room for when the world shifts in technology as it has now, that the institutions that were stronger in the old world will not be stronger in the new world."



William Massy
president of the
Jackson Hole
Higher Education
Group

the Coordinating Board For Higher Education has requested \$1.8 million, per year for three years, to be added to the base of the fiscal year 1998 budget request to employ Accelerated Learning.

Since the state will not make a formal budget decision until May 1997, Hubbard said despite the outcome of its decision, filtering Accelerated Learning into Northwest classrooms will be his top priority.

However, Hubbard said mere funds would not make this program a success unless the University community believed in it.

"Faculty must be able to buy into it, believe it and own it," Hubbard said. "I think the response we had at the meeting was totally positive. We have a lot of people willing to try, so I am optimistic."

In the meantime, the University will ask faculty team members to submit Accelerated Learning course proposals.

The faculty given the green light to further develop such courses would structure them this summer, with the new course offerings available by summer 1998.

Speech team places 5th in tournament

by Monica Smith
Missourian Staff

It has been pretty tough to find most of the forensics team together, but last Saturday at the Mid-America Forensics League tournament they were all reunited.

The Mid-America Forensics League played host to a forensics tournament at Northwest last weekend. Each year Northwest students compete on their home turf. This year's tournament was the largest M.A.F.L. tournament in history.

The Northwest team placed fifth overall out of 17 teams representing five states. That was quite a feat because the five teams that placed have traditionally been in the top 20 nationally.

Angela McMahon, public relations major, said because the M.A.F.L. is the host of the tournament Northwest students are allowed to compete.

"We lend them our campus to use," McMahon said. "We host a very small annual tournament in the spring and we don't compete in that one."

Anne LaBeaume, speech and theater education major, said Northwest had high hopes for this tournament.

"We expect to do really well because our whole team is competing," LaBeaume said. "This is one of the first tournaments where our whole team is competing."

The reigning state champion forensics team is under a new coaching staff this year. LaBeaume said she believes the change is a positive one.

"We have an extremely new coaching staff this year," she said. "We had a strong coaching staff last year and a strong coaching staff this year. All will benefit by the change."

Marc Vasquez, public relations major, said the coaching staff is trying to build on what the past coaching staff has taught the team.

MURDER

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is hopefully the first step toward a resolution in the matter.

David Baird, Nodaway County prosecuting attorney, said the case is "all federal." Elkins was working as a state and federal informant and the decision was made that the federal courts rather than state courts would handle the case.

Emery is currently serving a sentence at the Federal Detention Center in Englewood, Colo. for a 1991 federal drug conviction, Hill Jr. said. He

"Under the leadership of last year, we have been able to build a strong foundation," Vasquez said. "It is good to change. Przybylo (former coach) wanted us to build on the things he taught us and go even farther."

Vasquez said there are even more differences in the speech team coaching staff, especially because the past staff was entirely male.

"This year we have two female graduate assistants, so we have a different perspective on coaching," he said.

The new coaching staff has one big victory under its belt from the Winona State University tournament in Winona, Minn.

Forensics coach Bill Cue said he has many goals for this season.

"We want to provide an educational opportunity available to anyone who is interested in honing their skills," Cue said. "Many seniors have the goal of going to nationals."

Vasquez has a much more competitive goals for the program.

"Last year we won state by three points and this year we want to win state by 30 points."

In last Saturday's tournament, Shawn Bechtol placed second in both prose interpretation and poetry interpretation. He and Angela McMahon placed sixth in duet interpretation.

Angela McMahon placed fifth in program of oral interpretation. Darian Galyon placed second in informative speaking and Anne LaBeaume placed sixth in persuasive speaking.

is expected to be returned to Kansas City by the U.S. Marshal's Service in the future for appearance in the U.S. District Court in Kansas City.

If convicted, Emery could face a mandatory sentence life sentence in prison without parole, or if the U.S. attorney's office seeks and receives formal approval from the U.S. attorney general to ask a trial jury to impose it, Emery could face the federal death penalty.

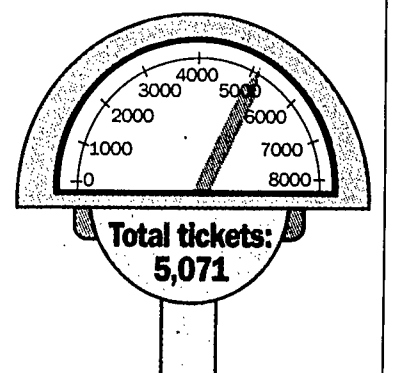
Hill said the charges in the indictment are merely accusations and are not evidence of guilt. The investigation isn't over and additional charges could be as further evidence develops.

U. CALENDAR

Friday, Nov. 22
Volleyball regional tournament
Ryland Milner classic, Bearcat Arena
Jazz Invitational, Mary Linn and Charles Johnson Theater
6 p.m., Women's basketball vs. Rockhurst, Bearcat Arena
8 p.m., Men's basketball vs. Graceland, Bearcat Arena
6 p.m., Fourth Annual Fine Arts Auction preview, Mary Linn
7 p.m., 4th Annual Fine Arts Auction, Mary Linn
3:30 p.m., Carmen San Diego geography awareness, 115 Garrett-Strong
Saturday, Nov. 23
6 p.m., Women's basketball vs. Wayne State, Bearcat Arena
8 p.m., Men's basketball vs. Florida Tech, Bearcat Arena
Bearcat cross country NCAA, DI Arcata, Calif.
10 a.m., Sigma Kappa officer training, Union
Sunday, Nov. 24
5 p.m., Wesley Center volleyball, Wesley Center
6 p.m., Sunday supper, Wesley Center
6:30 p.m., Reading auditions for the mystery play, Mary Linn
8 p.m., Sigma Kappa junior executive meeting, chapter room
9 p.m., Delta Chi executive board meeting, chapter house
Monday, Nov. 25
3:30 p.m., Political Science Club meeting, Northwest Room
5:30 p.m., Campus Activity Programmers meeting, Northwest Room
5 p.m., Phi Sigma Kappa meeting, Governors Room
5 p.m., Delta Chi meeting, 218 Garrett-Strong
5 p.m., Phi Beta Alpha meeting, Regents Room
6 p.m., Sigma Phi Epsilon meeting, University Club North
6 p.m., Reading auditions for mystery play, Mary Linn
6:30 p.m., Financial affairs meeting, Regents Room
7 p.m., Speaker Gary Bell, public library
7 p.m., ABC meeting, Northwest Room
7 p.m., Kappa Sigma meeting, Stockmans Room
7 p.m., FCA meeting, Dugout
Tuesday, Nov. 26
4 p.m., Heartland Express special transportation to Kansas City International
5 p.m., Thanksgiving vacation begins
7 p.m., Volleyball vs. Benedictine, Bearcat Arena
7:30 p.m., Men's basketball vs. Mid-America, Bearcat Arena
7 p.m., Student Senate meeting, University Club North
Wednesday, Nov. 27
Graduate student payday

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-Chris Stigall, TKE member

TKE HOUSE IN RUINS



"It brought us closer together as men. We had to pull together to make it through this adversity."

-Jon Richardson, TKE member

TKE memories go Up in smoke

photos by Greg Dalrymple

Members make temporary plans as they pick up the pieces

by Jacob DiPietro
Chief Reporter

After the smoke cleared, the members had a chance to retrieve belongings and memories, the search for a new beginning started for the men of the Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity.

The 16 members living in the house lost everything, from housing to school supplies, which included computers and textbooks.

Some of the members who lived in the house chose to relocate in the resident halls on campus. TKE member Tracy Bottoms said the University is helping by giving these students a rebated housing arrangement for all who need it.

"Housing is provided by the University," Bottoms said. "It costs six bucks a day, which I think is a fixed price. If they're not living on campus, they are living with girlfriends or friends."

Kent Porterfield, assistant dean of students, said the number one priority is to find everyone a place to live.

"One of the first things we did Sunday was to look for more permanent living arrangements for the 16 men that lived there for the rest of the semester," Porterfield said.

Along with housing, chapter president Joe Brannen said the group is already looking for an interim house for the next year or two. Brannen said the chapter needs a house to keep the main officers together.

The members wrote good-bye messages to the house on its walls before the burnt structure was boarded up.

"We are looking into renting a house where the officer core can live and establish a chapter address," Brannen said. "The main thing is to have the officers together."

Brannen said the interim house would have to have a large basement or "big common rooms" so there will be a place for members to get together and hold social functions.

Larry Apple, Action reality owner, and TKE alumni, said the chapter may not have to live in the temporary house for very long.

Apple said if things go as planned members could move in a new house as early as next fall.

"What we are planning on doing is rebuilding, but we are not sure of where," Apple said. "Locally we can start construction in early spring and have people moving in by next fall."

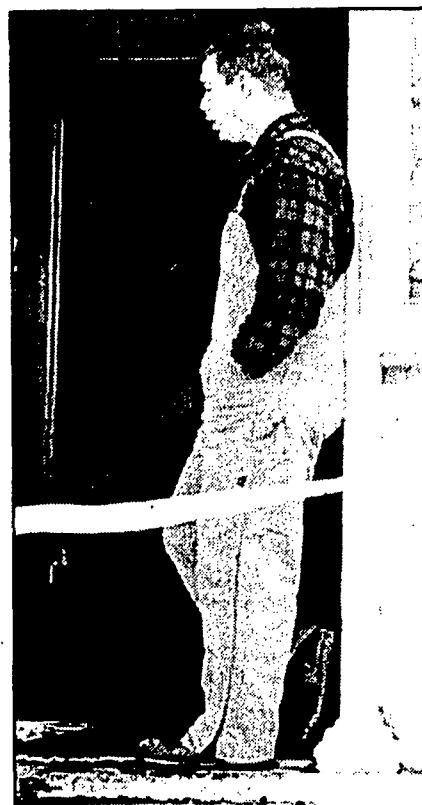
Along with housing, students need books and computers to go to class. Bottoms said the fraternity had to supply a list of titles ruined in the fire and the students received the books they lost.

However, Brannen said students in the EC+ program received loaner computers until they can buy a replacement.

"They are given replacement computers temporarily," Brannen said. "Their personal insurance will cover the cost but the University is graciously giving them a loaner until they get their new ones."



Ben Haskamp lost almost everything in the fire, including his laptop computer.

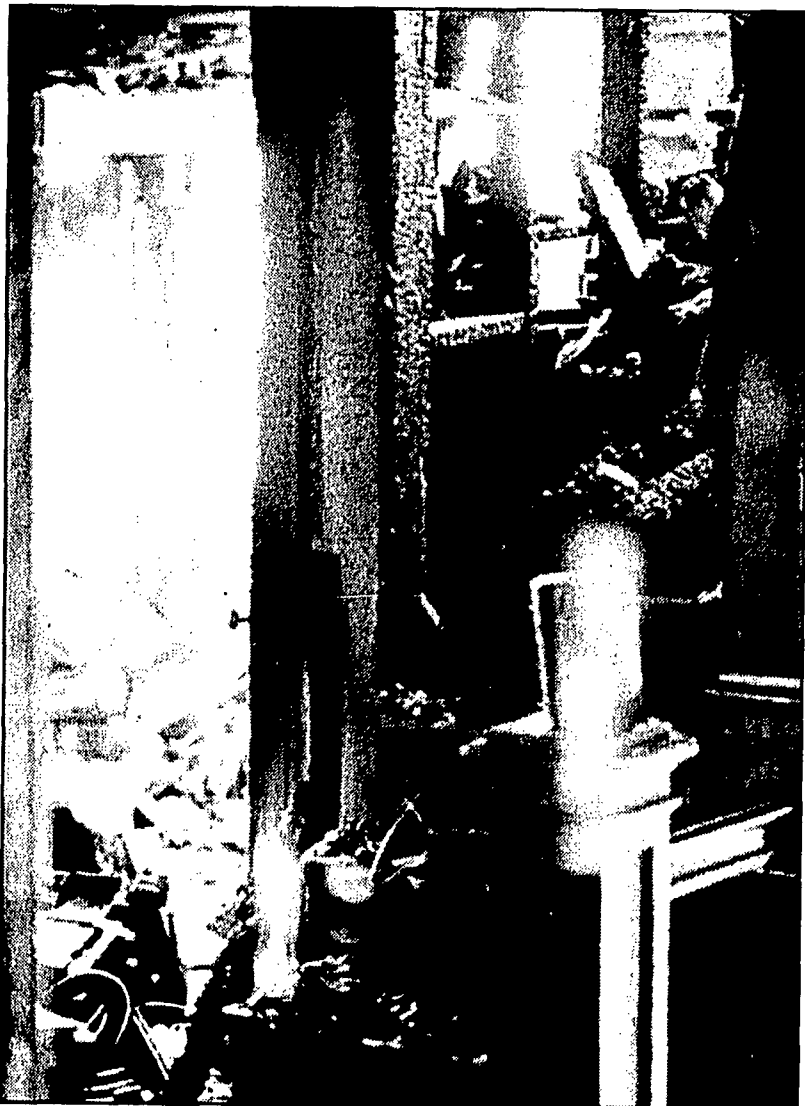


Joe Brannen, Tau Kappa Epsilon president, stands in the doorway to the fire-ravaged TKE house Tuesday. Members of the fraternity fled into the house all day looking for personal items.



ABOVE: TKE member Kent Turpin says good-bye to the house by signing the wall along the stairs on first floor. Many of the members used the wall signing as a type of closure.

BELOW: Only rubble remained of Ben Haskamp's room and the stairs that led to the third floor of the house. The fire began in Haskamp's room and spread to the third floor. The third floor was completely destroyed in the fire.



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others are still trying to make the adjustment.

Josh Akehurst, whose room was destroyed in the blaze, said he is trying to get used to living with just one roommate instead of 15, as well as adjusting to life in the residence halls.

"Living in the dorms is the biggest adjustment I had to make," Akehurst said. "I am not able to be with all the guys I used to live with. I'm just by myself."

While on the surface the fire seemed to tear everything apart, TKE member Jon Richardson thinks several good things came and will come as a direct result of the fire.

Richardson said the fire made the chapter closer then it has been in a long time.

"It brought us closer together as men," Richardson said. "We had to pull together to make it through this adversity."

The fire did more than just bring the TKE organization closer, it also brought the Greek community and local community closer as well.

TKE member Chris Stigall said the fire was a chance for others in the community to lend a helping hand.

"The night the house was burning the number of people that showed up was a true testament to what that house meant to us and the whole Greek system," Stigall said.

Chapter president Joe Brannen agrees with Stigall, but he also thinks all the guys in the fraternity have done a lot to help in the situation.

Brannen said the members have gone above the call of duty

to keep the chapter going after such a disaster.

"All the guys have been real supportive of each other and of me," Brannen said. "A lot of the guys have stepped up into leadership roles and done things that need to be done."

Along with being supportive, "the chapter has a positive outlook on this, which helps a lot too," Brannen said.

There are funds set up at First Bank CBC for donations. Several other Greek organizations have donated money to help with the costs of rebuilding.

FIRE

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distinguish the fire," Rickabaugh said. "Conditions were just too dangerous, too much heat and fire so they had to back out."

After occupants were safely out of the residence, TKE members scrambled, making themselves available for any assistance for the firefighters.

"The people that were here initially helped pull hoses and do anything we could until more firefighters came in," Brannen said.

Rickabaugh said the members did an excellent job of clearing people out of the house, ensuring total safety.

"Their primary goal was to get everybody out, and they did it," Rickabaugh said. "They also did the right thing by getting out of the house and staying out."

With approximately 30 Public Safety members on hand, including officers and volunteers, the aerial truck was brought in to slow the blaze. Barring some water pressure problems, the aerial truck was able to calm the flames after an hour and half of work.

Rickabaugh said to stop the fire on the second floor was quite an accomplishment.

"There was a lot of water damage, but there's no way of getting around it," Rickabaugh said. "To prevent water damage there would've been fire damage, which then could've easily burnt (the house) to the ground."

The water hydrant pressure hindered the officers' performance, but they felt it was not a defining factor in the fire, Rickabaugh said.

"Even if we would've had excellent water pressure and the flow we needed, due to the construction of the building and the situation that we had, it would've still been

a battle," Rickabaugh said.

Despite the water shortage troubles, Brannen praised the work of Maryville Public Safety.

"The fire department did a great job, I thought the whole house was going to go up," Brannen said. "We are grateful that the house is still standing."

The TKEs were able to salvage most of their charter paraphernalia located on first floor and many of past years' composite photos.

The cause of the fire is undetermined. An initial thought pointed toward a space heater, but Rickabaugh said there could be numerous causes of the blaze.

"We've deemed it as an accidental, undetermined fire," he said. "There's nothing suspicious about it."

No investigation will be pursued by MPS.

Word began to spread as quickly as the fire about news of the burning. A crowd gathered

together to watch their fraternity history go up in smoke.

"It was gut-wrenching to watch everything go up in flames and you can't do anything about it," Brannen said. "I felt totally helpless."

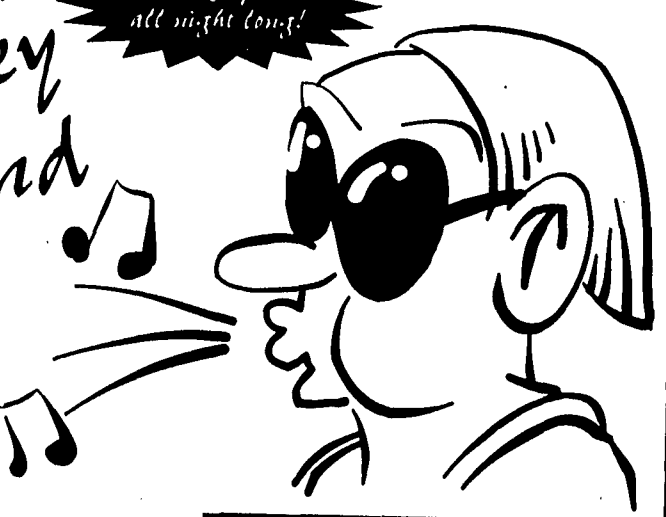
Neighbors were quickly on the scene, assisting their fraternity neighbors and other onlookers by handing out blankets to combat the snow and sleet. The TKE were also welcomed by supportive members of the Greek community with offers of food, toiletry, money and lodging.

"Our neighbors, and other Greek groups, were great, very supportive," Brannen said. "We really appreciate all of their efforts as well."

Kent Porterfield, assistant dean of students, was on scene soon after the fire flared up, supporting the group and organizing places for them to spend the night.

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MARYVILLE ECONOMY

Three businesses add to city's landscape

A&G's Pizza & Steakhouse re-opens

By Scott Brock
Missourian Staff

Echoes of hammers falling, grinding cement mixers and mechanized clatter from a menagerie of equipment filling the downtown area since summer, are signs that Maryville's A&G's Pizza & Steakhouse restaurant will be back in business soon.

Destroyed by fire in June 1995, a new A&G's is under construction near its former site at the corner of Main and Second streets.

Area merchants don't seem to mind the extra noise, dirt and workers the construction has brought in.

"We've missed having (A&G's) around," Sarah Sperry, Maryville Florist employee, said.

Without considering following the trend of relocating businesses south of downtown, owner George Groumoutis decided to rebuild near his former location.

"We've been here 20 years," Groumoutis said. "We want to stay here. This restaurant should give life to the downtown area and help everybody's business."

The rebuilt establishment will differ greatly from the former — differences that make Groumoutis proud.

Featuring many styles and genres of food, Groumoutis hopes the restaurant will appeal to a variety of diners.

Italian food will remain an attraction, joined by Mexican, Greek, seafood and an "executive menu" including fine gourmet dinners and fresh lobster.

In trying to lure college students, the restaurant will also offer affordable hamburgers and other grilled items. Alcoholic beverages will be served during business hours, a Maryville first.

Groumoutis envisions the atmosphere of a family-type restaurant with options. The restaurant will be divided into three sections: a lounge with a 20-foot oak bar, main dining area and a party room with a capacity of more than 150 people.

As a comfort to customers, the new structure will contain new elements of technology, such as flame retardant sheet rock, designed to keep this A&G's from going up in smoke.

The kitchen and waiting staffs will also make use of technology, utilizing computerized remote ordering and display systems that immediately relay orders to the kitchen.

The new 4,800 square-foot building, built by Sears O'Riley Construction and designed by Dean Faulkner, a Kansas City architect, will also feature a large parking lot, vaulted ceiling and brick and siding exterior.

The exterior construction, mostly completed, has reached a point where further patches of inclement weather should not hinder progress, Walker said.



Christina Kettler/Chief Photographer

Clint Dew, left, and Brian Steven, right, crew members of Sears O'Riley Construction Company finish building the frame of the new A&G's Pizza & Steakhouse earlier

this semester. The restaurant is still under construction at the corner of Main and W. 2nd St. The establishment will offer patrons a different menu upon its opening.

Restaurant expands, relocates in town

by Wendy Broker
Chief Reporter

A new option will soon be available to the hungry folks of Maryville, as Pappa's Espresso expands and changes locations.

The coffee shop located next to McDonald's is moving to 1512 E. First St. across from Conoco.

Pappa's will no longer be just a coffee house, but also a restaurant and drive thru owner Gene Deptuch said.

Beverage-wise, Deptuch said many drinks will be available, not just coffee.

"We will have a full non-alcoholic beverage restaurant with coffee, tea, milkshakes and soda, but we will also have our espresso available," he said.

Food will be added to the menu as well, Deptuch said.

"We will have a limited menu consisting of typical fast food like hamburgers, cheeseburgers, barbecued beef and pork, as well as fries, all fresh of course," he said.

Pappa's will also offer a limited breakfast menu, with a Mexican-type breakfast sandwich specially created.

Home-cooked meals will also be available. "We will also serve a cooked meal at lunch and at dinner that will change daily — a specialty of the day," he said.

Deptuch said the patrons will order their food at the counter, sit down in a choice of booths or tables and the order will be delivered to their table.

"We want to create a family-type atmosphere where people are at ease of mind," he said. "We want customers to feel comfortable as if they were in their own dining room."

To add to the home-style atmosphere, Deptuch said the restaurant will try to make everything itself, such as french fries.

Deptuch said the goal of the establishment is to not only fill a void of food places in that area of town, but to offer a nice, inexpensive place to eat.

Deptuch hopes the restaurant will be open soon. "If we can get the plumbing in and the place paved, and the man upstairs smiles down on us — hopefully, we'll be open within a month," he said.

Deptuch said he is happy to bring his restaurant to Maryville, since the community has treated him and his family very kindly.

Furniture store caters to college crowd

by Lindsey Corey
Chief Reporter

A Maryville woman noticed there wasn't a used furniture store in town, so she decided to do something about it.

Leanne James opened Annie's Furniture at 106 S. Main in early October.

James had no previous business experience, but said she had always wanted to try something like this.

"Maryville is a college town and many college students cannot afford to buy new furniture," James said. "I saw a need for college students to get rid of and pick it (furniture) up when they get back."

From coffee tables to shelves, the store has a variety of furniture.

"Its furniture meant to be used for three or four years (by college students)," James said. "I don't have a lot for people looking to outfit their home for the rest of their lives."

She shops around for the store's merchandise, going to garage sales, auctions and buying directly from people.

"I look wherever I can find good, clean furniture so I can make it affordable," James said.

She is also willing to negotiate her prices.

"We have good chairs for as low as \$15 and big dining sets for less than \$100," James said. "Prices are

not set in stone either."

Business is good considering the store has yet to have a large sign on its front.

"It's pretty good," James said. "Better than I expected."

James has plans to expand the store and incorporate reupholstering and refinishing furniture.

"I'd also like to set up something where if a student wants to get rid of their furniture, they can give me the first chance and I would discount them when they came back (to school)," James said.

Annie's Furniture is open from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday, and from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday.

Talkin' Turkey

Kids search for a picture of pumpkin pie Saturday morning during a Thanksgiving party for local children and their parents. The scavenger hunt was one of two games at the Maryville Public Library party.



Greg Dalrymple/Photography Director

Member receives certification

Toru Yamauchi
Missourian Staff

One of the newest School Board members recently received a certification from the state of Missouri after going through the state-required training program last year.

Board member John Redden finished the required 16-hour training program in Kirksville and St. Joseph. Redden studied activities such as the general board operation and policy-making procedures.

Redden said he remembered leaving for Kirksville at 4 a.m., wondering why he had to do this program. However, after studying goal-setting and maintaining positive relationships with others in the training, Redden had to change his mind.

"(The 16-hour training) is definitely needed for every member, and there is no doubt about that," Redden said. "(Because I learned) what I can

say and can't say and how I should react in all the problems held in the school district."

Gary Bell, superintendent of schools, complemented Redden for passing through the program.

"We are glad to see our Board members take part in this training," Bell said.

As Redden's five children attended Maryville schools, he did not agree with some policies, which motivated him to run for the Board in 1994.

"I didn't like what was going on, so I decided to run for the Board of Education member," Redden said. "Since I became a Board member, I have enjoyed it. The experience has opened my eyes to Board policy and things going on in the school district that I had no idea about before."

As a Board member, Redden has experienced the mental discipline and the skills of compromise and obedience his position requires.

"There has to be give-and-take," Redden said. "If I can't compromise, I will vote against. But (once the decision is made), I don't go to the community and criticize the other members. Even if I don't like it, I have to live with it."

Redden said there are difficulties of being in a neutral position.

"Sometimes what the community wants is not the way that needs to be done for the education," Redden said. "So we have to weigh both sides to decide which way to go. There is no way we can satisfy everyone in the community at the same time."

Although Redden sometimes feels his job is hard, he willingly contributes to the community.

"(I am proud of) supporting the Maryville School District," Redden said. "If you have a problem, call the superintendent, the Board president and members. Whether these calls are good or bad, we will listen to you."

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Friday, Nov. 22

9:45 a.m. Exercise Program, Nod-away County Senior Center.

7:30 p.m. Community Theater presents Robin Hood, Washington Middle School Auditorium.

Saturday, Nov. 23

9 a.m. Overeaters Anonymous, St. Francis Hospital.

2 p.m. Community Theater presents Robin Hood, Washington Middle School Auditorium.

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sity Small Business Development Center to sign up, 562-1701.

Monday, Nov. 25

9:45 a.m. Exercise Program, Nod-away County Senior Center.

6 p.m. Overeaters Anonymous, St. Francis Hospital.

Tuesday, Nov. 26

5 p.m. Maryville Chamber Social, Maryville Country Club. All Chamber members are encouraged to attend.

Saturday, Nov. 30

9 a.m. Multiple Sclerosis support

group, St. Francis Hospital.

Sunday, Dec. 1

Afternoon, open gym for middle school students, Maryville R-II High School gym.

Thursday, Dec. 5

8 a.m. to 5 p.m. St. Francis Hospital Auxiliary's annual bazaar and bake sale, hospital lobby.

Friday, Dec. 6

8 a.m. St. Francis Hospital Auxiliary's annual bazaar and bake sale.

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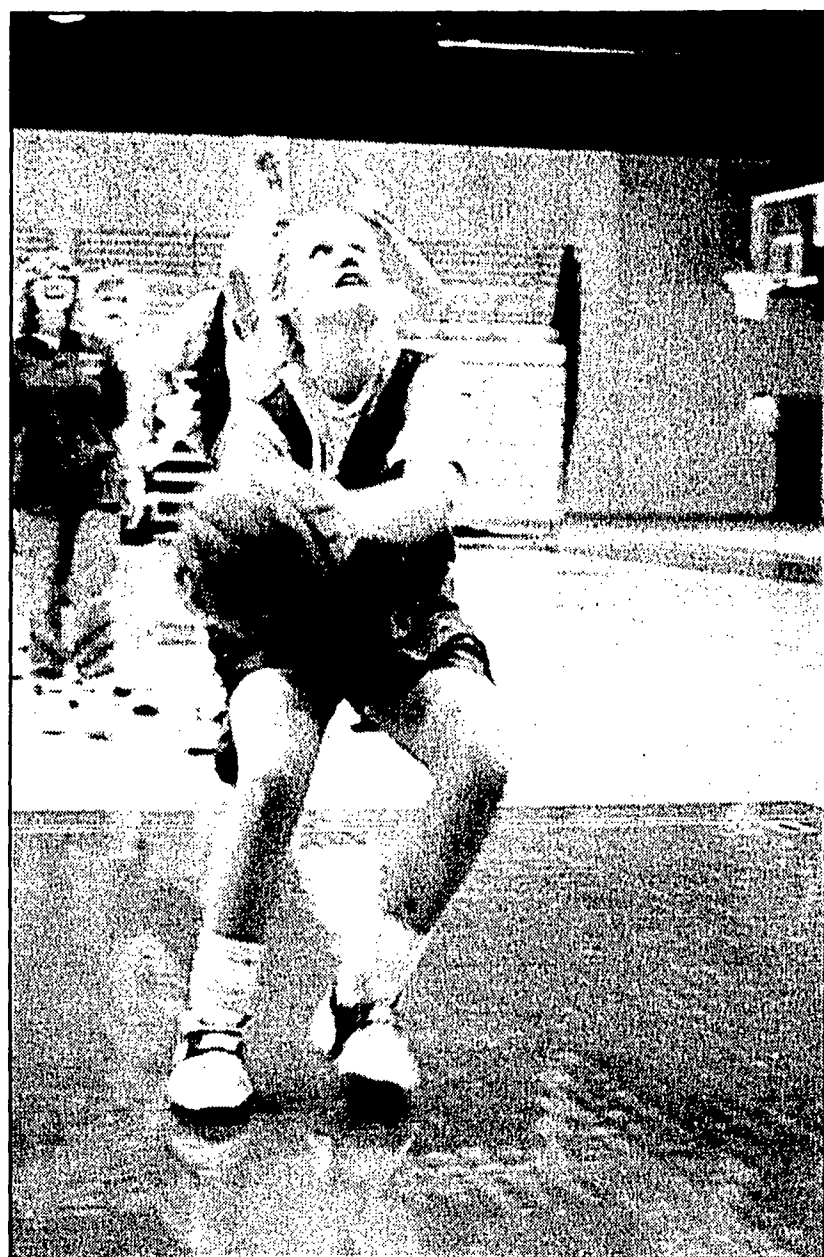
Basketball trivia

Question: Who holds the Northwest men's career scoring record?
Answer: Vic Coleman with 1,795 from 1980-1984.

If you have a question or comment about a story on this page or a university sports idea, contact **Colin McDonough, 562-1224**.

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Women's team is ready to hoop



Junior forward Annie Coy works on her lay-ups in practice on Wednesday. The Bearcats open their season at 6 p.m. Friday in Bearcat Arena in the Ryland Milner Classic against Rockhurst College.

by Scott Summers
Chief Reporter

The Bearcat women's basketball team has been busy preparing for another season of hoops, and there is plenty of reason for excitement as the 'Cats tip off the new year.

The Bearcats have seven returning players who have started for Northwest. With so much returning talent, the team hopes to soar above last season's 14-13 record.

"Our goal is to win the conference and make the playoffs," head coach Wayne Winstead said. "Anything less than that would not be fair to what our possibilities could be."

Winstead is in his 18th season as coach and knows this will be a very tough season for his team.

Pam Cummings, junior point guard, returns for her third season of leading the Bearcats. Cummings led the MIAA in assists last season with 7.9 a game.

Cummings led the Bearcats to an 82-80 win over the Nebraska All Stars in the team's exhibition game last Wednesday. She scored 25 points, grabbed eight rebounds and handed out seven assists.

"I think Southwest Baptist will be tough," Winstead said. "They were voted No. 1 on the strength of their team last year and the players they recruited. It's going to be a dogfight."

Despite playing a talented conference schedule, the Bearcats know they can handle the tough fight if they play well.

"We are putting a lot of emphasis on defense this year," Winstead said. "To have a successful season, we need to play with maturity and patience."

The 'Cats began team practices on Oct. 15 but started preseason conditioning, consisting primarily of weight lifting and running, on Sept. 10 in hopes of getting a jump on the competition.

The players are anxious to get the season started.

"We are looking forward to the start

of the season," senior guard Kristin Folk said. "Everybody is really excited."

Judging only on how his team has performed in practice, Winstead does see a need for improvement in some key areas.

"I think we have a lot of room for improvement in defense and in rebounding," Winstead said. "We have great intensity."

Junior transfer Allison Edwards also believes the 'Cats can improve on defense.

"I think we need to improve on our defensive transition," Edwards said.

Edwards also said she thought the team played pretty well together overall.

"I think everyone is very unselfish, and we work well as a team," Edwards said.

The Bearcats will play their first regular season game at 6 p.m. Friday in Bearcat Arena when the 'Cats get the ball rolling against Rockhurst College in the Ryland Milner Classic.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Nov. 22 Rockhurst 6 p.m.
Nov. 23 Wayne State 6 p.m.
Nov. 26 Benedictine 7:30 p.m.
Nov. 29-30 at Nebraska-Omaha Tourn. TBA
Dec. 5-7 at West Texas Tourn. TBA
Dec. 14 Emporia State 5:30 p.m.
Dec. 20 Pittsburg State 7:30 p.m.
Jan. 6 Missouri-Rolla 5:30 p.m.
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Indoor track team prepares for season

by Wendy Broker
Chief Reporter

As winter approaches, runners, throwers and jumpers are moving indoors and are revving up their engines for the beginning of the indoor track season.

The men's team will sport 18 returners, as well as many athletes new to the collegiate level of competition or to the Northwest team.

Rich Alsop, head men's coach, said he has high hopes for this year's team.

"They should really be an improved team," Alsop said. "The new additions will help to make the team stronger."

Sophomore Dave Sempek, middle distance runner, said the team is improved, and will do better than last year.

"We're going to be a lot better than last year," Sempek said. "We're a lot stronger team now."

Team captain Chad Sutton said he also believes the team has changed.

"We have a lot more experience coming back this year," Sutton said. "People are returning from eligibility problems, and we also have the results of good recruiting. We've been able to fill all the holes from last year. Our vaults, jumps and sprints are pretty well balanced this year."

Alsop said the team has opportunities to do well with the type of athletes on the team.

"We didn't really have any vaulters last year, this year we do," he said. "Our distance and middle distance runners are back. We have a returner who could possibly be a top conference finisher, as well as several new additions with great potential."

Alsop said the team is awaiting the beginning of competition,

which starts Dec. 13 at Iowa State University.

The women of Northwest have also been preparing for the upcoming season.

The team has 19 returning letter winners, nine of whom are school record holders and three newcomers.

Sprinter Amy Allen said this year's team offers a lot more than past years.

"We're a lot stronger and healthier this year," Allen said. "We did a lot of recruiting in hurdles and short distance runners, that will definitely help fill last year's holes and make our team stronger."

Thrower Julie Humphreys said the team has patched its holes and hopes for improvement.

"We're a complete team now, we've filled in the places we were weak," Humphreys said. "I expect to improve on last year's performance, and I'm sure we will as a team as well."

Allen said, the women have a good relationship.

"We have a definite team unity, and we all get along good," she said.

Humphreys said having a lot of the women return is a positive thing for the team.

"It's nice to have many of the same people back this year, that way you know where everyone stands," she said. "The new girls are doing good; I'm impressed with them as well."

Ron DeShon, head women's coach, said the team should do well this season.

"If we stay healthy, we may accomplish most of our goals," DeShon said. "Cross country has showed the strength and ability of the athletes in this program. We just need to get the job done."

Men will try to mesh talent into winner

by Nate Olson

Contributing Writer

The Northwest men's basketball team is loaded with individual talent and its goal will be to combine that talent to create a well-oiled machine.

However, some fine-tuning will be in store for the 'Cats. Head coach Steve Tappmeyer, who is in his ninth year at Northwest, will try to fill the six holes left by departing players from last year's 19-7 team with a solid recruiting class. Of the newcomers, two are redshirts from last season, four are junior college transfers and two are true freshmen. Along with the talent, the newcomers bring a lot of learning and adjusting.

"It makes it a lot more challenging because there are a lot more people that have to learn the system," Tappmeyer said. "We have a few things that we are doing that are new to a certain amount of our team, and there's a few things on offense that we are doing that is new to everyone. It's made it a lot slower process of everyone coming out and picking everything up. It's affected our confidence a little bit."

After looking at the credentials of the recruiting class, it does not take long to figure out why Tappmeyer is optimistic his team will blossom.

Ruben Stephens, a 6-foot 6-inch forward from Bossier Parish Community College, looks to fill a void in the front court. He was named to the all-region and all-conference teams at BPCC. Stephens had 21 points and four rebounds in the 'Cats' opening-season loss to Park College. He also poured in eight points and snagged seven boards against Bethany College Tuesday night.

Stephens said playing for Northwest has been an adjustment for him and the newcomers, but he expects

"I just feel very comfortable from last year to this year. I feel comfortable shooting and it helped me to get experience last year, and this summer I played in a summer league in Tennessee."



Kelvin Alford, senior shooting guard

ence of senior point guard Corey Alexander, who was eighth in the MIAA in assists and committed 56 turnovers last year, and Silas Williams, who had nine points and six assists Tuesday night. Tappmeyer said he is looking to Alexander

and Williams for team leadership on the court.

"We are looking for someone to step up and be a leader at that position," Tappmeyer said. "If you look at last year, Derek Smith was a leader in crucial situations and would take the basketball. He made a lot of decisions, and we put the ball in his hands even though he wasn't the point guard. That's what we are looking for this year — someone to get us in our offense and take charge and get people up when intensity drops off."

Silas Williams started the first game at the shooting guard position and in the second game started at the point guard spot because Alexander had a calf bruise. He said being the back-up point guard last year has helped him this year.

"I'm trying to pick up from last year," Williams said. "They have stuck me at the two guard, but I know how to run the point and know what it's about. I'm pretty confident."

Two other returners are senior guard Kelvin Alford and sophomore forward Matt Redd. Alford started 20 games last year and averaged 8.7 points a game and is averaging 21 points in the first two contests this season. Redd was voted freshman of the year in the MIAA last season and averaged 10 points and six rebounds a game.

Alford said he feels more acclimated on the court, which reflects in his shooting.

"I just feel very comfortable from last year to this year," he said. "I feel comfortable shooting and it helped me to get experience last year, and this summer I played in a summer league back home in Tennessee and worked on my shot a lot."

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Nov. 22 Graceland 8 p.m.
Nov. 23 Florida Tech 8 p.m.
Dec. 3 Emporia State 5:30 p.m.
Dec. 7 Pittsburg State 7:30 p.m.
Dec. 10 Lindenwood 7:30 p.m.
Dec. 14 Wayne State 7:30 p.m.
Dec. 17 at Missouri 7:05 p.m.
Jan. 2 Dream Builders (Exhib.) 7 p.m.
Jan. 6 Missouri-Rolla 7:30 p.m.
Jan. 8 Lincoln 7:30 p.m.
Jan. 11 at Southwest Baptist 3:30 p.m.
Jan. 13 Park 7:30 p.m.
Jan. 15 at Central Missouri State 5:30 p.m.
Jan. 18 Truman State 7:30 p.m.
Jan. 22 at Washburn 8 p.m.
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Sophomore forward Matt Redd tips in a rebound for two points in the Bearcats' home-opening victory over Bethany College Tuesday night. Redd averaged 10 points a game last year for the Bearcats. Redd was voted freshman of the year in the MIAA last season.

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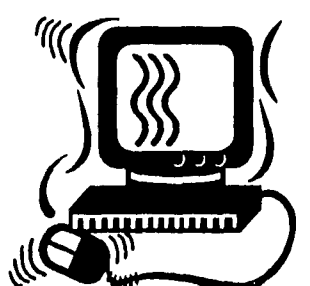
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Wrestlers prepare to defend MEC crown.

The 'Hounds are the team to beat in the Midland Empire Conference as they attempt to win their 5th consecutive MEC title.

1996 WINTER SPORTS PREVIEW MARYVILLE 'HOUNDS

Basketball season opens up Monday.

Both the boys' and girls' teams will play host to Trenton High School Monday night in the Maryville High School Gym.

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Girls look to improve

Basketball team relies on defense as strength

by Jacob DiPietro
Chief Reporter

A lot of things can change in one year and the Spoofohound girls' basketball team is hoping a year's change can propel them into the hunt for a conference title.

Last year the 'Hounds ended the season with a 9-17 record overall and went 2-6 in the conference.

However, the record does not always accurately portray the team's ability. Jeff Martin, who is in his second year as head coach for the 'Hounds, said last year's team was not prepared in some aspects to win.

"Last year we went 1-11 in games won by six points or less," Martin said. "The team was not used to winning. We didn't know how to win last year."

Some of the players think the problem last season was trying to learn the new coaching techniques.

"Last year we were trying to learn the new offense," senior starter Allison Strong said. "We weren't confident."

Martin agrees last season was a time of adjustment. However, he said he has noted much improvement from last year.

"We are much farther along in practice this year than we were last year," Martin said. "Just a year of knowing the system; the fact that they are real familiar with what we want — It makes things go a lot smoother than a year ago."

Martin thinks the transition from last year to this year has been a smooth one.

Martin said the team has grown used to what he expects as a coach, and it has made the team better as a whole.

"A year ago when they came into practice they didn't know what I expected of them," Martin said. It probably took a whole year to get them acclimated to what I wanted. Once they learned what I wanted, they began working on certain skills and on parts of their game to make them better."

One of the aspects the team has been working on is defense. Martin said defense is an important part of the game.

Martin is hoping the defense which held the opposition to an average of 41 points a game last season, can keep his team in the hunt this year. However, Martin is not relying on defense alone this year. He is hoping size will play a role as well.

While Martin thinks the team's strength lies in defense, senior starter Valerie Stiens said the team's strong points are off the court.

"Team unity, it is not an individual," Stiens said. "Which is a good thing, it keeps the play good."

While the team is still working on the final adjustments before the season starts, Martin said the team has been working toward this year since the end of the last season.

"We felt like last year we created enough excitement, as far as our style of play, so that this year we can improve on our record and have some success," Martin said. "So we have been real excited about this year ever since last year ended."

GIRLS'

11/26 Trenton
12/2 at Cameron
12/6 Benton
12/10 Lafayette
12/16-21 Nodaway County Tour.
12/27-30 LeBlond Tournament
1/3 Clarinda
1/7 at Savannah
1/10 at Falls City
1/13-18 Savannah Tournament
1/21 at South Harrison
1/24 at Chillicothe
1/30 East Buchanan
1/31 at Benton
2/6 at Lafayette
2/7 LeBlond
2/13 Savannah
2/14 Chillicothe
2/18 at Red Oak
2/24-3/1 DISTRICTS
3/14-15 STATE



The Spoofohound boys' basketball team practices Wednesday before next Tuesday's opener. The 'Hounds will face Trenton High School at home.

Jennifer Meyers/
Chief Photographer

Football slows boys' practice

by Scott Summers
Chief Reporter

The Maryville Spoofohounds are gearing up for another exciting season of basketball and hoping to tip-off their season with a win Nov. 26 against Trenton High School.

There is only one problem, though. They do not have a team yet.

The basketball team has not been able to schedule any practices with a full roster because of the football team's success in the playoffs.

Head coach Mike Kuwitzky said the team has been practicing, minus the football players.

"We are still having practice with the guys we've got right now," Kuwitzky said.

Kuwitzky downplayed the possibility that the lack of team practices would hurt the team.

"It's hard to say," Kuwitzky said. "Those players that have already been practicing are working hard and improving."

The 'Hounds finished up last season with an 18-10 record overall, and Kuwitzky wants to see an even better season this year.

"We want to strive for a winning season," Kuwitzky said. "We want to keep improving (as the season progresses)."

Kuwitzky knows it will not be an easy trip for the 'Hounds as they try to de-throne the Chillicothe Hornets, last season's conference champion.

"Our conference and our district has some of

the toughest teams we'll play all year," Kuwitzky said.

"Chillicothe has to be the favorite because they won it last year, but Benton and Savannah (will also present challenges)."

Kuwitzky has set out to accomplish some very specific goals this season from a coach's standpoint.

One of the most important things Kuwitzky said his team needed to do this season in order to be successful is to work well as a team.

"I think it is important that we create a good team chemistry," Kuwitzky said.

"We also need to learn to play our system and have a good work ethic. Those are the kinds of things we have tried to instill in our players over the years."

Offensively, the Spoofohounds will try to focus on playing as a team Kuwitzky said.

BOYS'

11/26 Trenton
12/3 Cameron
12/10 at Clarinda
12/13 at LeBlond
12/16-21 Nodaway Co. Tournament
12/26-30 William Jewell Tournament
1/7 Benton
1/10 Savannah
1/13-18 Savannah Tournament
1/21 at South Harrison
1/24 at Chillicothe
1/28 at Benton
1/31 Falls City
2/4 Lafayette
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2/11 at Lafayette
2/14 Chillicothe
2/18 at Red Oak
2/21 Shenandoah
2/24-3/1 DISTRICTS
3/14-15 STATE

SPOOFHOUND WRESTLING



Greg Dalrymple/Photography Director

Junior Mark Anderson, freshman Adam Nelson and junior Jason Small pushed coach Joe Drake's truck through the Maryville High School parking lot last Tuesday during practice. Pushing trucks is a conditioning technique used by the team.

Wrestlers defend MEC crown

by Chris Gelnosky
Community Sports Editor

It is time to lace up the shoes and hit the mats because wrestling season is right around the corner for the Spoofohounds.

The wrestling team is coming off a 9-1 record last year and its fourth consecutive Midland Empire Conference title, and the 'Hounds will open their season Dec. 3 at Cameron High School.

Coach Joe Drake said the top returners should be senior Jeff Beacom and juniors Mark Anderson and Jeremy Lliteras.

"They were state qualifiers last year, and I will be looking for added leadership from them," Drake said.

Anderson wrestled at 112 pounds last year and finished the season with a 24-10 individual record.

Beacom, at 189 pounds, led the team in number of pins and recorded a 24-12 mark. Lliteras, the last of the three state qualifiers at 119 pounds, finished his season 18-15.

Two other 'Hounds to keep a look out for are senior Wyatt Dunbar and junior Jeremy Tobin.

Dunbar wrestled in the 160-pound weight class last year and put together an impressive 21-10 record in his first year of high school wrestling.

Maryville had injury problems at the 125-pound weight class last season, but Tobin filled in nicely by completing the year 13-9 and qualifying for districts in Platte City.

Set by the state, Nov. 4 was the first day of winter sports practices, and Drake said workouts have gone well

even though a third of his team is missing.

"We're working on basic drills and improving skill level, and we're pleased with what we've seen so far," Drake said. "We can't fully prepare because the football team is still in the playoffs, but we'll catch up when they get back."

Anderson said the team has room to improve from last season and is working on a variety of different aspects of the sport.

"First of all, we need to be in better physical condition than last year, and we're working more on the mat this year than last," Anderson said.

Strength and conditioning is a big part of the sport, but Drake said there is one thing all wrestlers must have or they will never be successful.

"I don't care if it's football, basketball or wrestling; the mental part of the sport is the most important," Drake said. "If you don't focus, you won't succeed. The moment you don't stay totally focused in wrestling, you'll lose."

The 'Hounds currently have 22 members on the team, but Drake is expecting nine or 10 more boys to join the team after the football season closes.

Since some of the wrestlers have not joined the team yet, team goals have not been established. Drake, however, said he has the same goals every year.

Even though many would consider them lofty goals, he said he would like the team to go undefeated, win the MEC crown, win the district and finish as one of the top four teams in the state.



Greg Dalrymple/Photography Director

Shooting through opponents' legs is a basic move for wrestlers. Members of the team worked on different shooting techniques during Tuesday's practice. The team's first meet is Dec. 3 at Cameron High School.

WRESTLING

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12/10 at Rock Port
12/14 Lexington Tournament
12/21 Trenton Tournament
1/9 Lafayette
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Basketball starts, plus much more



Colin McDonough

This week could be the start of something big. Actually, I'll guarantee it will be the start of something big — college basketball season.

This is the best part of college

athletics. I can't find anything better in sports than watching college basketball get started. Hoops hysteria is what I like to call it.

College basketball brings many more upsets each and every year than college football and it always brings the great buzzer beaters. It brings in the little guy and the underdog and gives everyone a chance to win the title.

In college football, to win a championship the team has to be undefeated, however in hoops a loss or two or three does not hurt because teams can always bounce back.

It gives you that preverbal second chance that many never get and that is why hoops can be so exciting.

Chiefs are unimpressive

Sunday I attended the Kansas City Chiefs and Chicago Bears football game in Kansas City with the Chiefs coming out victorious 14-10.

The Chiefs were very unimpressive in the game, although they got the win and that is what is important.

Defense wins championships, and that is what the Chiefs have, but they do not have any sort of offense that will contend for the AFC title.

The Heisman Trophy

If I had a vote for the Heisman Trophy, I would give it to Iowa State running back Troy Davis.

He is the best running back in college football although many of you may not agree, but he is going to become the only back to ever achieve 2,000 yards in back-to-back seasons.

Think about it. No one has ever accomplished this amazing feat. That should be enough right there to win the coveted award.

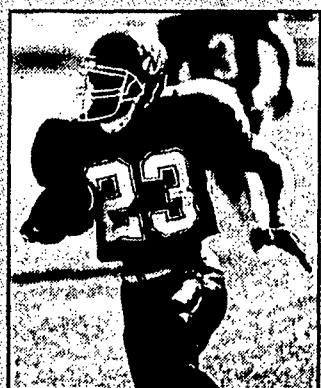
But he has his naysayers. His doubters say if you don't play for a bowl-bound or winning team you don't deserve it. But I thought the award went to the best player, not to the best team's player.

So if the voters would vote like they are supposed to, by picking the nation's best player, then there is no doubt Troy is the man for the award.

But he won't win, because there are too many fruitcakes out there not smart enough to pick the best player.

Colin McDonough is University sports editor for the Northwest Missourian.

Northwest Star Athlete

Twan Young*
Sophomore

Young was one of four Bearcats to earn first team all-MIAA honors. Young is one of four sophomores on the first team. He is a starting cornerback for the 10-1 Bearcats.

*chosen by the Missourian sports staff

Bearcats nab bid to battle Mavericks

by Colin McDonough
University Sports Editor

Northwest will try to exorcise the demons of Bearcat playoff history Saturday in the first round of the NCAA Division II playoffs with a win over the University of Nebraska-Omaha.

With a victory over the Mavericks, Northwest would gain 11 wins and no other Bearcat team has accomplished that feat. A triumph would also be the first playoff win in Northwest school history.

Northwest has reached the playoffs twice in school history and lost both times, in 1984 to Nebraska-Omaha and in 1989 to Pittsburg State University.

The Bearcats and Mavericks kick-off Saturday at 1 p.m. in Alf Caniglia Field in Omaha, Neb.

Caniglia Field is located on I-29 north to I-80 west, 72nd north to Dodge, east to University Drive then south on University Drive to the stadium and east parking garage.

Both teams have similar stories. Pat Behrms, head UNO football coach, and Mel Tjeerdsma, head Northwest football coach, are both in their third seasons as head coaches at their respective schools. In Behrms' first year the Mavericks went 1-10, while the Bearcats went 0-11 in Tjeerdsma's initial campaign. Then this year both teams won their conferences with identical 10-1 records.

Tjeerdsma said he is happy to be in the playoffs and glad to be playing the Mavericks.

"I think we got a great draw with UNO," Tjeerdsma said. "It's close and we will be playing on turf. The turf helps us because of some of the things we do and the people we have. We've played one game on turf this year and we played pretty well."

Senior linebacker Ken Gordon said the turf should be a positive for the

Bearcats.

"I think it will help us out a lot with our speed," Gordon said.

Tjeerdsma said Nebraska-Omaha is a team that makes the most of good situations.

"The No. 1 thing about them is that they are really opportunistic and take advantages they are given," he said. "They believe good things are going to happen and they do happen."

Tjeerdsma said they have two of the quickest receivers he has seen all season in MarTay Jenkins and Jake Young.

"They are faster than anybody we've seen this year," he said. "They are both good receivers and both good return guys."

The Mavericks and Bearcats have two common opponents on the season, Mankato State University and South Dakota State.

Northwest defeated Mankato State while the Mavericks fell victim 16-15 for their only loss of the season. The Bearcats and Mavericks both beat South Dakota State. Nebraska-Omaha defeated the Jackrabbits to claim the North Central Conference championship.

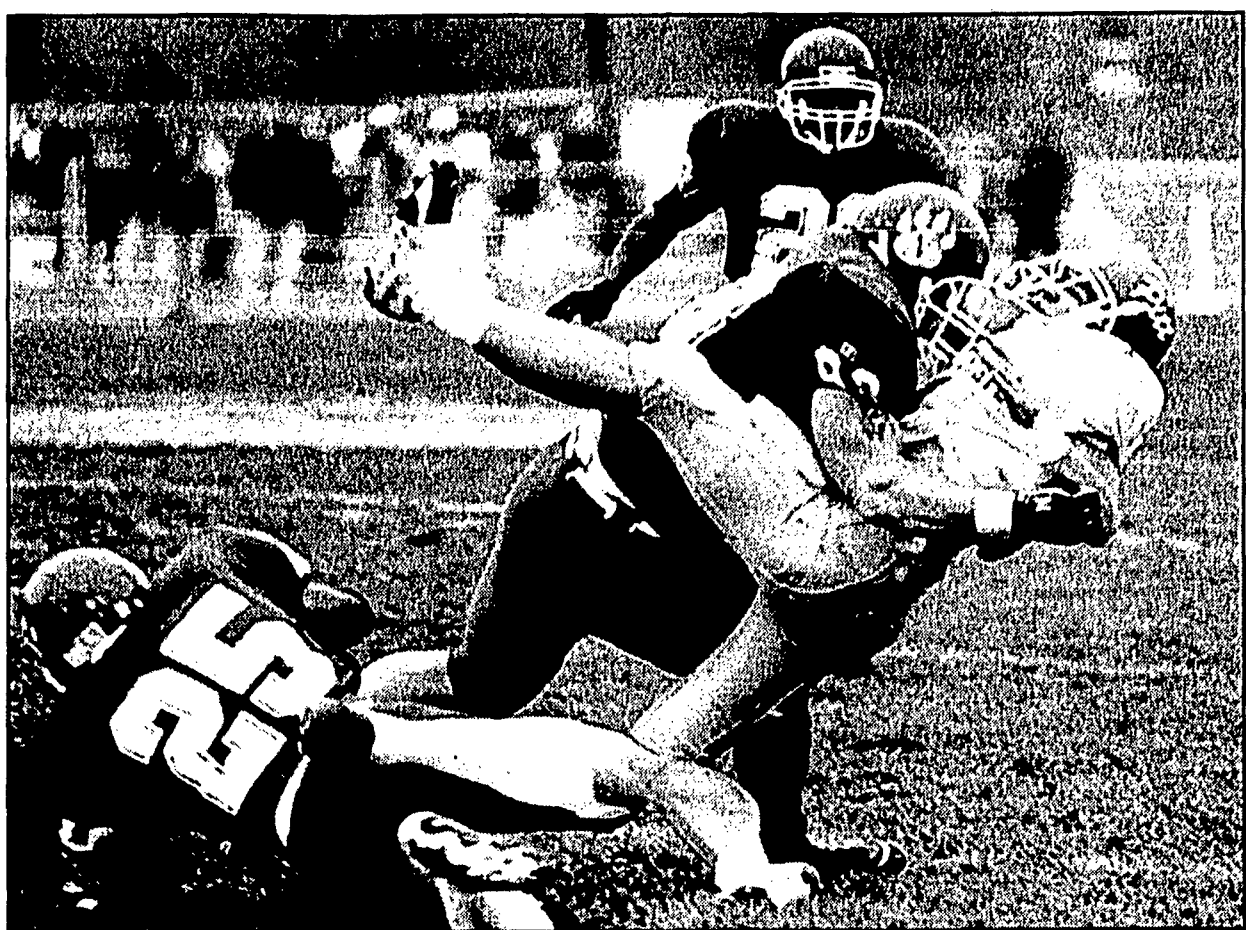
Tjeerdsma said UNO has not been through a soft schedule.

"They've been through a lot and been tested in a lot of close ballgames," he said. "They're a very good team and they are in a great conference. They went to North Dakota and North Dakota State and beat both of them. That hasn't been done very often."

Tjeerdsma said the players are excited about getting the chance to play in Omaha.

"We are excited about going there to play," he said. "We have a number of players from the Omaha area and southwest Iowa. It's going to be a great opportunity for us."

Senior quarterback Greg Teale said for the Bearcats to win it will take a



Greg Dalrymple/Photography Director

Matt Uhde, senior defensive end, plants a Pittsburg State runner in Saturday's mud bowl. Uhde was named to the first team all-MIAA for the second straight season. Three

other Bearcats were named to the first team. They included senior quarterback Greg Teale, senior linebacker Ken Gordon and sophomore cornerback Twan Young.

basic effort.

"We have to go out there and play hard for four quarters," he said. "We just can't do anything out of the ordinary."

Tjeerdsma said the team has only one major injury heading into the game with junior linebacker Dante Combs.

Pittsburg State 40 Northwest 0

Pittsburg State University made the best of the terrible conditions Saturday and ruined Northwest's perfect season, 40-0.

The game was played under bad field conditions because of steady rain the night before the game and a driving rain throughout the second half.

As a result, the field came apart at the seams.

Teale said the only way to move on from this game is to remove it from their thoughts.

"We are just trying to forget about it," he said. "The best thing we can do now is to get it out of our minds and focus on UNO."

Runners take aim at fourth in national championships

by Wendy Broker
Chief Reporter

The women's cross country team must turn it up a notch or be shut down at its final competition of the year, the NCAA Division II national championship meet at Humboldt University in Arcadia, Calif., Saturday.

The women earned the opportunity to compete by finishing in the top three teams at the Great Lakes regional meet in Warrensburg two weeks ago. Northwest finished second.

Junior Carrie Sindelar said the women have looked toward this goal for a long time and feels its only right that they have the opportunity to see it through.

"This is something we have worked for, something we think we

deserve," Sindelar said. "This is our reward for all our hard work and we're looking forward to it. We are excited to be able to run among the best in the country."

Ron DeShon, head women's coach, said the women are ready to head to California to compete at an event they have never ran in before.

"We're really excited to be going to California," DeShon said. "We can't wait to be there to have fun."

The team will also take a business-like approach to the event because they know they have a job to do, DeShon said.

"We're going to be a team to contend with," he said. "We're going to fight to be in the top four, but we hope to at least be in the top 10."

Sindelar said this is not only a big

accomplishment for the women, but something to remember.

"This is something we will never forget, something we may never get to do again," she said. "This is a big milestone for Northwest, not just for ourselves, but for future teams and the University."

DeShon said the women are healthy now, and ready to turn it up another notch for the meet.

"Carrie is back healthy now," he said. "Lindsey Borgstadt and Dana Luke are also doing extremely well right now. They're ready to run with the big girls now."

Sindelar, Borgstadt and Luke will run at nationals with teammates Heidi Metz, Kathy Kearns, Renata Eustice and Monica Kepler for their shot at bringing home a trophy.

Netters finish season above .500

by Brian Brozyna
Missourian Staff

The Northwest volleyball team completed its season by finishing over .500 for the season despite a 6-10 record in MIAA play.

The Bearcats moved to 20-17 after going 1-2 in MIAA Weekend IV in Warrensburg. They defeated Southwest Baptist University but lost to Emporia State University and Missouri Southern State College.

Heather Potts, senior defensive specialist, said the team failed to fulfill the expectations for the season.

"We finished below our expectations," Potts said. "We expected to finish in the top three in the conference. The reason we didn't might have been a lack of focus."

Sarah Pelster, head volleyball coach, said the team played hard all year despite a tough schedule all season long.

"Our goal was to be very competitive in regional and conference play," Pelster said. "We were picked to fin-

ish sixth in the conference, and that's where we finished."

Pelster said the Oct. 2 match at Washburn University and the Oct. 24 match at home against Truman State University were easy to look at when reflecting upon the disappointing season.

"When you lose a match in five games, you look back and wonder what would have happened if we hadn't missed a serve or shanked that pass," Pelster said.

Potts said the Truman State and the Washburn matches stick out in her mind.

Three players set milestones this season. Diann Davis, junior middle hitter, took over the school's career block record while senior setter Jennifer Pittrich exceeded 5,000 assists for her career. Potts moved into second place on the all-time digs list behind Pittrich.

Potts said she had her sights set on the No. 1 spot in digs.

"I would have like to have been No. 1 but that would have been like an

added bonus," she said.

Pelster said Davis, Pittrich and Potts, in addition to senior Tiffany Grunert making the switch from outside hitter to middle hitter and the play of freshmen Sarah LaFlore and Lindsay Heck, were the keys to the Bearcats' season.

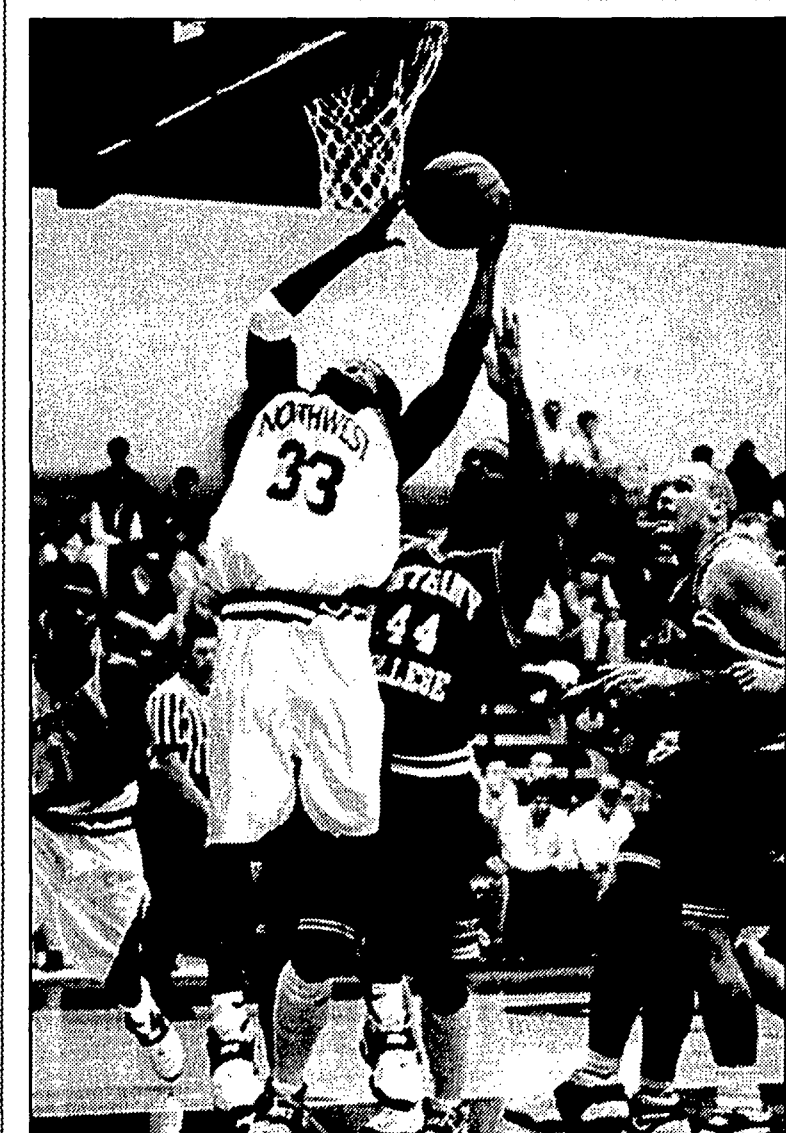
The team loses Pittrich, Potts, Grunert and middle hitter Hayley Hanson to graduation this season. Pelster said the team will be in a rebuilding stage after the loss and will work on skill development in the offseason.

Potts said if the team expects to improve next season it will need teamwork.

"They need to pull together as a team and not work as individuals," she said.

Potts said if next year's newcomers are good players it will help the development of the team.

"It's going to depend on the recruits they get it," she said. "Without a good recruiting year, I don't see any drastic improvements."



Christina Kottler/Chief Photographer

Senior Tim Glosten goes up for an easy two points against Bethany College Tuesday night. Glosten finished with 11 points.

Alford leads 'Cats to 89-65 triumph

The defense turned it up a notch in the second half and the Northwest men's basketball team was able to improve to .500 on the young season with an 89-65 triumph over the Bethany College Swedes Tuesday night.

Senior guard Kelvin Alford paced the 'Cats scoring with 21 points including four three-point

field goals. Alford is averaging 22.5 points a game this season.

Alford said he believes his confidence is high at this point in the season.

"A lot of it is confidence and coach kept putting in my head that 'I'm a shooter, I'm a shooter,'" Alford said. "I just have confidence in myself and my shot."

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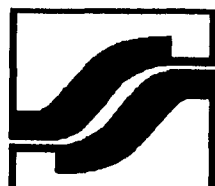
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'HOUND FOOTBALL

Spoofhounds compete in state semifinal game

Maryville football team to play host to Branson, four teams remain alive

by **Scott Summers**
Chief Reporter

There is a lot at stake Saturday when the Spoofhounds lock horns with Branson High School on the gridiron.

Maryville will attempt to clinch a berth in the Missouri State 3A football championship game.

If the 'Hounds can muster just one more win, they will earn the right to play in the championship game at the TWA Dome in St. Louis Saturday, Nov. 30.

Head coach Chuck Lliteras knows the competition only gets better from here.

"I would hope that for a state semifinal game, it would be a good game," Lliteras said. "I would be disappointed if it wasn't a head-knocker."

Lliteras also said Branson likes to run off-tackle and use its running game to help set up its play-action-passing game.

Branson has some players who will present a challenge to the strong Maryville defense.

"We need to make sure we are able to contain their running backs," Lliteras said. "They have a good tailback too."

The key to Maryville winning the game may be on the line of scrimmage. Both teams want to control the trenches in hopes of staying with their game plans.

"We need to establish consistent

play on the line of scrimmage," Lliteras said. "If we can control the line of scrimmage, both offensively and defensively, we are going to be able to execute."

The 'Hounds need to get another brilliant performance defensively to shut down the Branson offense.

"After our (last game), our points per game allowed dropped to 2.66," Lliteras said. "We cannot afford to give up the big play. We need to keep their offense off the field."

When the defense gives up less than three points a game, you are going to win a lot of ball games.

Senior linebacker Matt Felton believes the game will be decided on the defensive end of the ball because the defense has led the team all year.

"I think we need to have a really strong defensive game," Felton said. "We need to shut them down. The offense has the advantage because they know exactly what they are doing, and the defense doesn't. Our defensive line needs to have a good game."

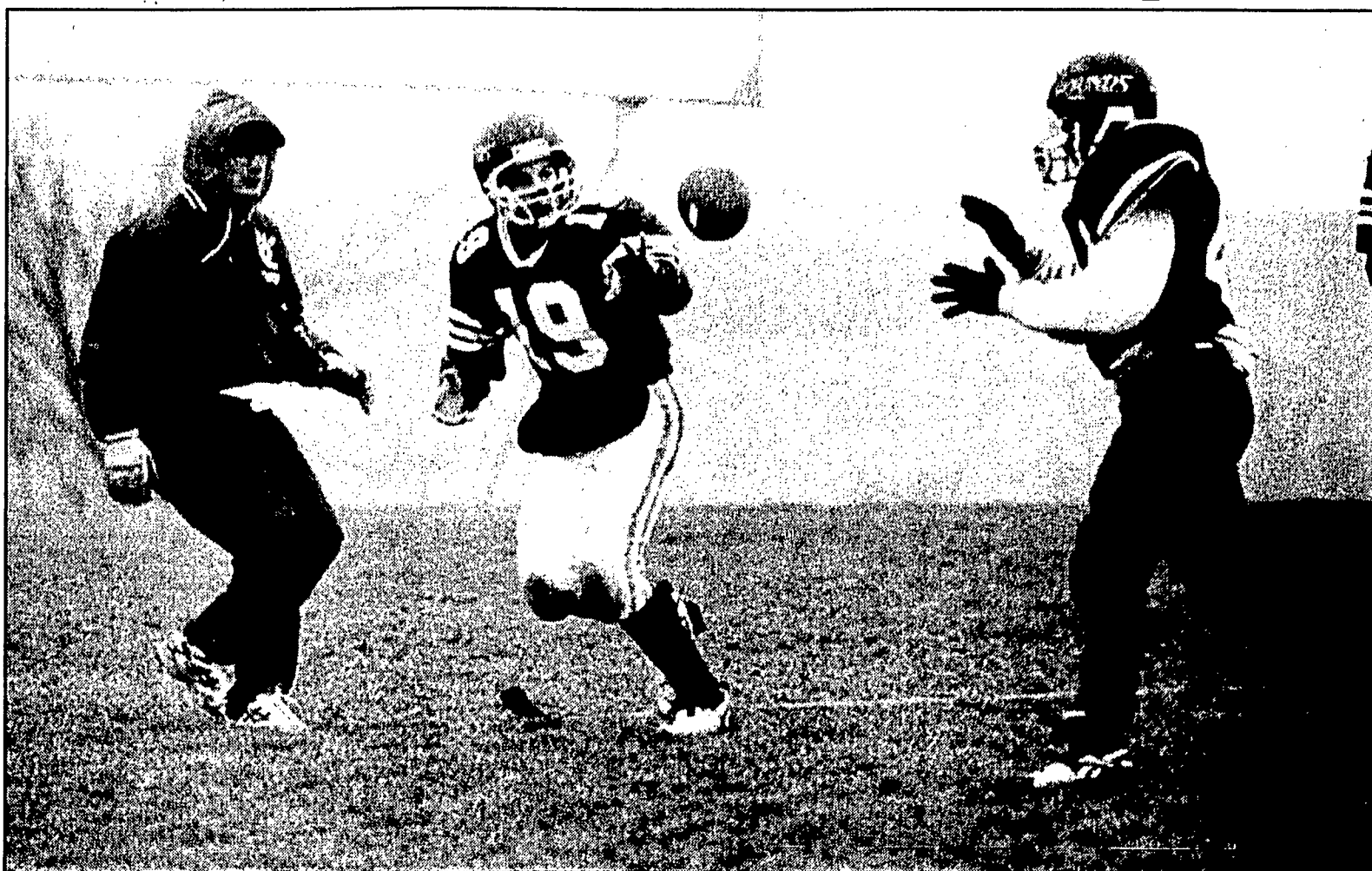
The Maryville players said it feels great to be just one step away from playing in the state championship game.

"It's a neat feeling," Felton said.

"I knew we would have a good team this year, but I didn't think we would make it this far. Anyway you look at it, this has been a great ride."

Junior quarterback John Otte is riding the wave of emotion into the final round.

"It is a great feeling to be this close," Otte said. "One more win, and we are going to the state championship."



Head coach Chuck Lliteras looks on as two Spoofhounds run a drill during Wednesday's practice. The 'Hounds go into Saturday's playoff match-

up with an 11-1 record. They will meet Branson High School at 1:30 p.m. Saturday at the 'Hound Pound for the right to play for the state crown.

Christina Kettler/Chief Photographer

Defense records 2nd playoff shutout

by **Scott Summers**
Chief Reporter

An all-day bus trip to the home of the No. 2-ranked team in the state for a quarterfinal playoff match could easily be the downfall for many high school football teams.

But, the No. 7-ranked Maryville Spoofhounds turned out victorious in a 36-0 rout of the California Pintos.

Maryville improved its overall record to 11-1 on the year, and the Pintos ended their bid for a perfect season, also dropping to 11-1 overall.

Only 43 seconds into the opening period, the Spoofhounds found the end zone. Justin Cracraft, senior running back, found a hole and exploded for a 47-yard touchdown run.

It was not long before the potent Maryville defense put the 'Hounds on the scoreboard again. Mike Nanninga, sophomore running back and a

replacement on the defensive line for the injured Doug Mackey, was given credit for a safety after the Pintos' quarterback tried to avoid a sack in the end zone, but was called for intentional grounding.

With 8:26 left in the first quarter, Otte scored on the option keeper to the right side to make the Maryville lead 16-0.

After that, the 'Hound defense was an impenetrable wall, coming up big on more than one occasion. The defense stopped California on fourth-and-four in Maryville territory, and again on fourth-and-goal from the seven-yard line.

With 39 seconds remaining in the first half, the Spoofhounds benefited from a Pinto mistake when the ball squirted through the punter's legs, and the 'Hounds took over.

As the clock ran down, Otte found Adam Weldon, senior split end, streaking through the end zone with 13 seconds to play. The

Spoofhounds took a 23-0 lead into the locker room at halftime.

Maryville kept the Pintos off the scoreboard and scored two touchdowns of their own to complete the 36-0 win.

The Maryville defense continued its impressive play. The big unit has given up only 45 points all season, and the Spoofhound defense has not allowed more than seven points in any single game all season, nor has it allowed any points in the fourth quarter.

Head coach Chuck Lliteras said the tough defense was a very important factor.

"The defense hung in really well," Lliteras said. "We had a lot of hats on the ball. The defense was pursuing as good as we have in awhile."

The 'Hounds next game will be at 1:30 p.m. Saturday in the 'Hound Pound when they try to tackle Branson in the semifinal game of the Missouri 3A State playoffs.



Sophomore Mike Nanninga takes a handoff at Wednesday's practice. The 'Hounds will need their running game working on all cylinders in order to continue in the playoffs.

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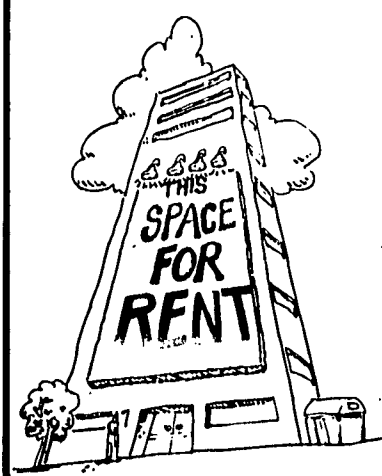
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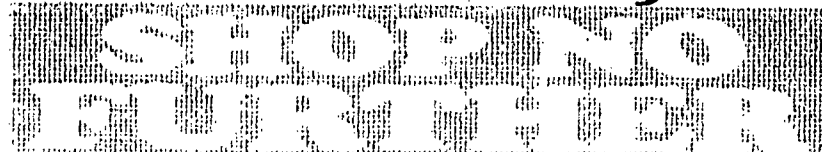


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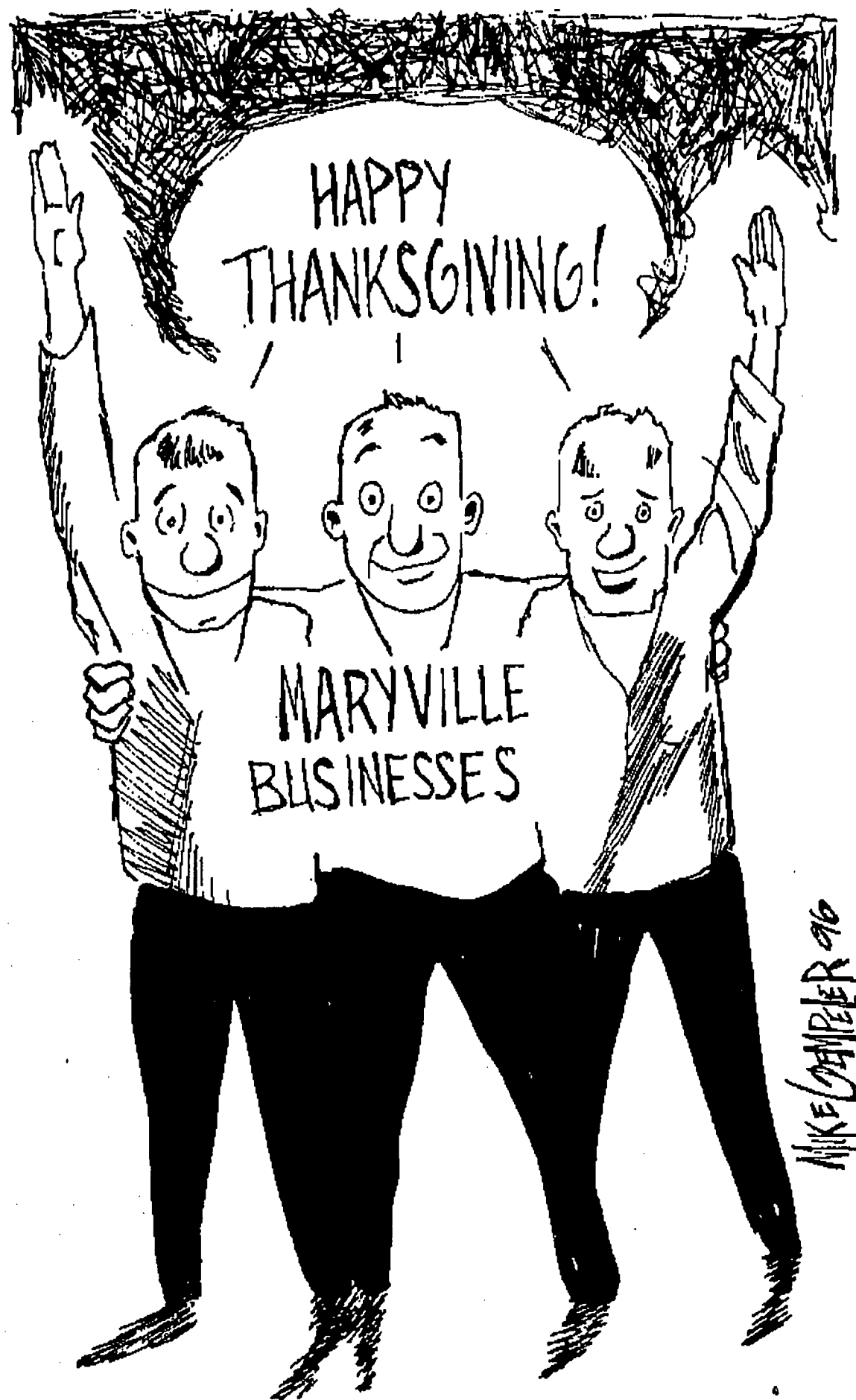
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Danish Immigrant Museum honors holiday with Julefest

by Christy Nelsen
Missourian Staff

Nestled in the small community of Elk Horn, Iowa, are two attractions that keep the spirit of an entire culture alive.

The Danish Immigrant Museum, located just nine miles off Interstate 80, is known for its preservation of the Danish American heritage. Visitors of the museum are encouraged to walk in the footsteps of the Danish immigrants and take a journey (as the museum's motto says) "across oceans, across time."

Twice a year, the residents of Elk Horn reach their peak of Danish pride. On the weekend after Thanksgiving, the town holds its Julefest which celebrates the Danish heritage through folk dancing, banquets and a parade. Residents dress in Danish garb and serve Danish food that Jeri Hemmingsen, a sales clerk at The Danish Mill Gift Shop, describes as "just fantastic."

Although the Danish Immigrant Museum held its grand opening in June of 1994, the concept of the museum dates back to 1979 when Norman C. Bansen first presented the idea of a Danish museum to the Danish American Heritage Society.

A committee was quickly formed, and in 1982, the building site of the museum was narrowed to Minneapolis, Minn., and Elk Horn. In 1983 it was decided that the museum would be located in Elk Horn.

"The Elk Horn site was chosen because it was the most concentrated area of Danish Americans in the country," Barbara Hansen, museum volunteer employee, said.

Many of the immigrants were dying and needed to establish something quickly that would preserve their Danish heritage, Hansen said.

The Elk Horn Lutheran Church saw this need and donated 20 acres of land on which the three-story building was constructed.

Visitors of the Museum take a step back in time as they enter the structure resembling a Danish farmstead. Housed in the museum are five permanent theme areas that include "The Decision to Leave," "Arriving in a Strange Land," "Travel to New Homes," "The Danes in North America" and "Bridges Across the Ocean." Visitors walk at their leisure through the self-guided exhibits that tell experiences Danish immigrants.

The museum houses many interesting items, including Victor Borge's Hindsburg piano, which he donated to the museum as a token of his own Danish heritage. Many artifacts, donated by Danish families, are displayed on the main floor of the build-

ing. Visitors can view a collection of hundreds of Danish Christmas and Easter Plates, clothing that is over 200 years old, kitchen-ware dating back to 1872 and the original trunks and suitcases of Danish immigrants.

Besides the museum's permanent displays are changing exhibits that are replaced every four to six months. Currently, there is a display of large model ships which replicate the vessels that the Danish traveled on in hopes of a better life.

The west wall of the museum displays a Wall of Honor with the names of approximately 3,000 Danish immigrants and the dates of their arrivals in America. The plaques were purchased by the family of an immigrant for \$200 to preserve their loved one's name in Danish-American history.

Other features of the museum include a gift shop with Danish novelty items and a third floor genealogy room that will soon be in operation. Using the internet, microfiche, and microfilm, Danish visitors will be able to trace their heritage back hundreds of years.

Located several yards from the main building is the Morning Star Chapel. Built in 1952 by Danish immigrant Charles Walensky, the little chapel contains four pews that each seat one person. The chapel was donated to The Danish Immigrant Museum last summer and saw its first wedding in its present location this July.

Museum employees said there is an enormous amount of work yet to be done.

Volunteers have spent countless hours collecting additional artifacts that will be displayed in a permanent gallery in the near future.

"There has been a tremendous display of enthusiasm and support," Hansen said.

The Danish Immigrant Museum is open everyday except Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day. Admission costs \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for children ages 6 to 12. Admission for children 5 and under is free.

Another Danish attraction in Elk Horn is the Danish Windmill. The mill, originally used to grind grain, was built in Norse Snede, Denmark in 1848.

In 1975, Harvey Sornson, a Danish-American, traveled to Denmark and was determined to bring the 60-foot-tall windmill back with him to

America.

The mill was purchased from Julius Hansen of Denmark. The total cost of the windmill, its dismantling and its shipping to the United States was \$100,000.

Because of Elk Horn's high Danish population, Sornson felt the town needed something like the mill to pay tribute to the proud Danish heritage. In anticipation of the windmill's arrival, residents of Elk Horn raised \$30,000 in a just a matter of days.

Julie Jensen McDonald, in her book "Definitely Danish," said the eight-sided windmill has a 30-foot base and weighs a total of 10 tons. The mill was originally built in Denmark by 12 men, working everyday for two years. It was constructed completely by hand, using hammers and chisels. Once the windmill had arrived in Elk Horn, the reassembling process was difficult and slow.

"The only blueprint they had was a model of the windmill," Hemmingsen said. The small wooden replica is housed inside the original windmill. It took a year to get the windmill back in working order, Hemmingsen said.

Every year, 80,000 tourists from around the world flock to the windmill to feel the spirit of Denmark.

Each visitor watches a 10-minute historical video before taking a climb up the three-story structure. The windmill attracts visitors from every state and travelers from Denmark everyday, Hemmingsen said.

The Danish Windmill is of great importance to the town of Elk Horn. At Christmas time, it is adorned with Christmas lights. On the day of a funeral, the windmill's fins are placed in the shape of a cross.

"It has really helped keep the Danish spirit thriving," Hemmingsen said. "It helped put southwest Iowa on the map."

A celebration similar to the Thanksgiving, called Tivoli Fest, takes place on Memorial Day weekend.

Danish or not, those who visit the town of Elk Horn are sure to have a meaningful journey across oceans and across time.

by Adam Buckley
Missourian Staff

Thanksgiving Day, otherwise known as "Turkey Day," is fast approaching. Most people are looking forward to a feast of food with all the usual trimmings, shared with family and friends.

For some, however, the idea of fixing a 20-pound turkey with stuffing, mashed potatoes and gravy and cranberry sauce is too fearful to think about. Luckily, if this is you, Maryville has the answer to that problem.

Most businesses will be closed on Thanksgiving, but those that are open will offer families and students stuck here for Thanksgiving break a chance to experience a traditional Thanksgiving meal without any of the work.

Regulars of Country Kitchen who have had their Thanksgiving meal there in the past can expect the buffet to be up and running this year.

Shannon Davolt, an employee at the restaurant, thinks the buffet attracts a small, but loyal gathering each year.

"The restaurant is a good place for elderly people to come who don't have families in town to celebrate with," Davolt said. "It's also good for big families who want to avoid preparing a huge meal."

Finding workers for this big day is hard, but they work around that problem. If an employee works one holiday, then that worker doesn't have to work the other two holidays, such as Christmas and New Year's. Having student workers who live in the residence halls poses another problem.

"The people who live in the dorms have to leave for break, so we don't require them to work," Davolt said. "Otherwise, employees can't ask off."

Country Kitchen's hours for Thanksgiving day will be from 6:30 in the morning until 3 p.m.

Golden Corral will be another restaurant that will offer a buffet to its customers on Thanksgiving. True, on any given day you go in to

the restaurant, a buffet is set up, but on Thanksgiving it will contain everything you'd expect from a traditional meal.

"The buffet will have turkey, ham and all the trimmings, and the bakery and beverage sections are also included, as well as the dessert bar," Brandi Coulter, an employee at Golden Corral, said.

The Thanksgiving buffet has been set up every year with favorable results.

"We had a pretty good turnout last year, and it was steady all day long," Coulter said. "You would think it would be more like single people who come, but I remember families coming in with children."

Coulter also said the restaurant is good for large families or those families who don't have a large house to meet, so they come to the restaurant.

Finding employees to work on Thanksgiving isn't easy for this restaurant, either. However, they take advantage of people who live in town to work.

"There are quite a few people who work here that live in Maryville, and some that live so far away that they can't go home, so they're willing to work," Coulter said. "We even have some workers who are in high school."

Restaurants are not the only businesses open in town on Thanksgiving. Procrastinators can guess what the other business is that's open: the grocery store.

The most popular customers to make last minute trips the grocery store on Thanksgiving are people who either have put off shopping for the big meal until the morning of, or who have forgotten a drastic ingredient that must be included in the meal.

One store that will be opened during its normal business hours is Food-4-Less. Jerry Veer, manager of the grocery store, believes it is profitable to be open on the holiday because enough people come in to warrant staying open. The other reason to stay open was decided upon higher up.

"It was basically a corporate

decision to stay open," Veer said.

Those customers who do shop on Thanksgiving are mainly popping in for some quick last minute items, Veer said.

This is especially the case with another grocery store in town that will be open, Hy-Vee. Manager Fred Von Behren sees mainly one type of customer during this big day.

"The 'oh my gosh, I don't have any more of this, honey run to the store and get this' type of customer," Behren said. "Usually the products they are getting are things they forgot to get the day before, and rush in to pick up."

However, Behren wonders how drastic it is for some people to get that last product to round out the perfect meal.

"A lot of times, (the products) are things they probably could get along without if they absolutely had to if nobody was open, but since we're here they're going to come get it," Behren said.

One thing that makes Hy-Vee unique is within the store is a deli, called V's Kitchen, that will have Thanksgiving dinner ready for customers to pick up and take home.

"All they have to do is pick up the box and go," Behren said. This is good for families who want a Thanksgiving meal without all the hassle of preparing it themselves.

Customers who come in will find workers ready to help them find whatever they need, and Behren doesn't think he will have a problem finding the right amount of help.

"Because we're not open all day, it's not a problem finding help," Behren said. "We use a whole lot more part-time workers, because for the full-time workers, having the day off is a benefit for them."

Consumers should be thankful for the businesses that are open on Thanksgiving Day. Employees will be working hard to provide a traditional dinner for Maryville residents.

The residents of Maryville will have a delicious Thanksgiving because of the willingness of employees to give up part of the day to serve others.

BUSINESSES WELCOME GUESTS TO ENJOY THANKSGIVING MEAL

You don't feel like enduring another day of slaving over a hot stove, cooking for 25 of your friends and family? No need to panic — Maryville businesses offer the perfect solution.

• Country Kitchen and Golden Corral will serve Thanksgiving meals buffet style.

• Country kitchen customers will have the opportunity to enjoy sliced turkey and ham, green beans, corn, stuffing, dinner rolls and pumpkin pie.

• Golden Corral will serve sliced turkey and ham, green beans, corn, stuffing, dinner rolls, cranberry sauce, sweet potatoes and pumpkin pie.

Easy and Tasty Recipes

Stuffing Casserole

1 box chicken flavor stuffing mix
1 5-oz. can chunk chicken
1 can cream of chicken soup
1 stick butter, melted
1/4 cup milk
Water to moisten

Mix dry stuffing with melted butter, add enough water to make mixture moist. Add soup, milk and undrained chunk chicken.

Bake in a casserole dish at 350 for 45 minutes until golden brown.

Cranberry Cobbler

1 package yellow cake mix
1/2 tsp ground cinnamon
1/4 tsp ground nutmeg
1 cup butter or margarine, softened
1/2 cup nuts (optional)
1 21-oz. can peach pie filling
1 16-oz. can whole cranberry sauce
vanilla ice cream or whipped cream

Preheat oven to 350. Combine dry cake mix, cinnamon and nutmeg in bowl. Cut in butter with two knives until crumbly. Stir in nuts; set aside.

Combine peach pie filling and cranberry sauce in ungreased 13x9x2 inch pan; mix well. Sprinkle crumb mixture over fruit.

Bake at 350 for 45-50 minutes or until golden brown. Serve warm with ice cream or whipped cream.

Cheese Potato casserole

2 lb. hashbrowns
1 can cream of celery soup
1 1/4 cup cheddar cheese cubed
2 cans cream of potato soup
1 cup sour cream

Do not thaw the hashbrowns. Mix all ingredients well.

Bake in an ungreased and uncovered 9x13 baking dish at 350 for two hours. Top should be golden brown.

Creamy Turkey and Broccoli

1 6-oz. package stuffing mix, plus ingredients to prepare mix
1 2.8-oz. can of french fried onions
1 10-oz. package of frozen broccoli spears, thawed and drained
1 1-1/8-oz. package cheese sauce mix
1 1/4 cups milk
1/2 cup sour cream
2 cups cubed cooked turkey

Preheat oven to 350. In a medium saucepan, prepare stuffing mix according to package directions; stir in 1/2 of french fried onions. Spread stuffing over bottom of greased 9-inch round baking dish.

In medium saucepan, prepare cheese sauce mix according to package directions using 1 1/4 cups milk. Remove from heat; stir in sour cream and turkey. Pour turkey mixture over broccoli stalks. Bake covered at 350 for 30 minutes or until heated through. Sprinkle remaining onions over turkey; bake covered five minutes.

Pumpkin Nut Bread

3 1/2 cups unsifted flour
2 tsp baking soda
1 1/2 tsp ground cinnamon
1/2 tsp baking powder
2 cups sugar
2/3 cup shortening
4 eggs
1 16-oz. can pumpkin
1/2 cup water
1 9-oz. package condensed mince-meat, crumbled
1 cup chopped nuts

Preheat oven to 350. Stir together flour, baking soda, cinnamon and baking powder; set aside. In large mixer bowl, beat sugar and shortening until fluffy. Add eggs, pumpkin and water; mix well. Stir in flour mixture, mince-meat and nuts. Turn into two greased 9-inch loaf pans.

Bake at 350 for 55-60 minutes or until wooden pick inserted near center comes out clean. Cool 10 minutes; remove from pan. Cool completely.

No-Bake Pumpkin Pie

1 egg
1 14-oz. can sweetened condensed milk
1 tsp ground cinnamon
1/2 tsp each ground ginger, nutmeg and salt
1 package unflavored gelatin
2 tbs water
1 16-oz. can pumpkin
1 graham cracker pie crust

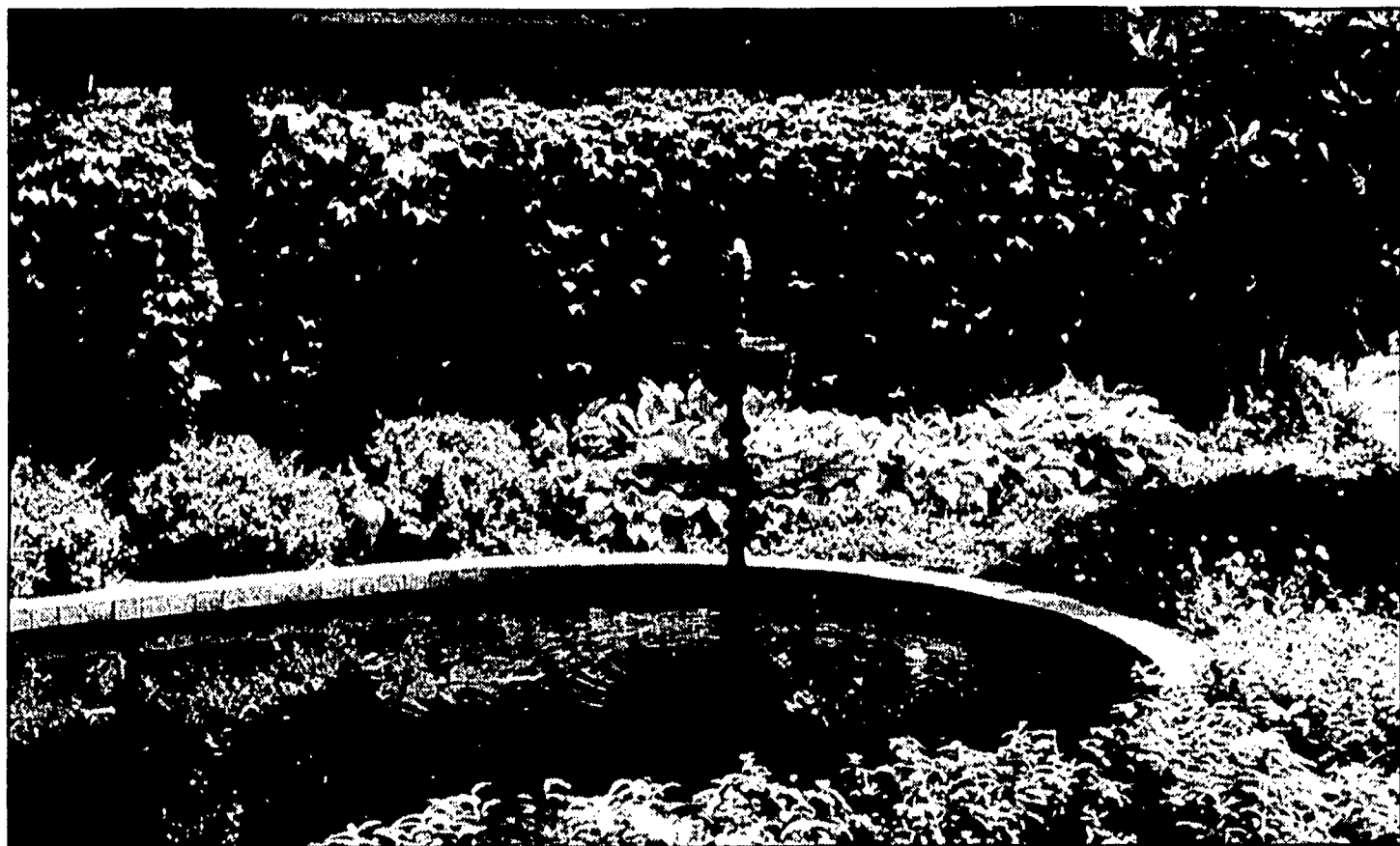
In medium bowl, beat egg; beat in sweetened condensed milk and spices. In medium sauce pan, sprinkle gelatin over water; let stand one minute. Over low heat, stir until gelatin dissolves. Add sweetened condensed milk mixture; over low heat, cook and stir constantly until mixture thickens slightly, 5-10 minutes. Remove from heat. Add pumpkin. Pour into crust. Chill four hours or until set. Garnish as desired. Refrigerate leftovers.

Cranberry Crumb Pie

1 9-inch unbaked pastry shell
1 8 oz package cream cheese, softened
1 14-oz can sweetened condensed milk
1/4 cup lemon juice from concentrate
3 tbs light brown sugar
2 tbs cornstarch
1 16-oz. can whole berry cranberry sauce
1/4 cup cold margarine or butter
1/3 cup unsifted flour
3/4 chopped walnuts

Preheat oven to 425. Bake pastry shell eight minutes; remove from oven.

Reduce oven heat to 375. In large mixer bowl, beat cheese until fluffy. Gradually beat in sweetened condensed milk until smooth. Stir in lemon juice. Pour into prepared pastry shell. In a small combine one tbs sugar and cornstarch; mix well. Stir in cranberry sauce. Spoon evenly over cheese mixture. In medium mixing bowl, cut margarine into flour and remaining two tbs sugar until crumbly. Stir in nuts. Sprinkle evenly over cranberry mixture. Bake 45-50 minutes. Cool.



Des Moines Botanical Gardens displays its beauty to visitors. Special events can be scheduled in the garden. Photo Courtesy of Heartland View

Beautiful gardens offer unique getaway

by Amy Jenkins
Missourian Staff

If the sight of beautiful plants and flowers and the incredible breath-taking smells that go along with them spark your interest, then spend the day in Iowa.

The Des Moines Botanical Center is located at 909 E. River Drive and exhibits one of the largest collections of ornamental and native plants in the Midwest, including more than 15,000 plants from tropical, subtropical and arid locations around the world.

The themes and plants change 10 times each year, providing a year-round sample of some of the most beautiful scenery along the one-fifth mile walkway.

The Center's historic dome is constructed of anodized aluminum and tinted, one-fourth inch thick Plexiglass. It is 150 feet in diameter and stands 80 feet tall at its tallest point.

The 665 triangular panels that make up the dome come in 27 sizes, but because right and left versions exist for each size, there are actually 54 different panels in the total configuration.

Underneath the dome lies some of the most beautiful flowers in the Plant Kingdom including more than 200 species and varieties of orchids on a rotating basis and is one of the most popular spots.

The famed Hirsch-Ladany bonsai collection is one of the 10 best in the United States. Several of the trees and bushes have been in training for more than 100 years.

The Botanical Center also houses the only outdoor cactus and succulent garden in the Midwest. Many of these cacti are winter-hardy.

However, plants and flowers are not the only things that you will find at the Des Moines Botanical Center. The Garden Cafe serves soups, sandwiches, non-alcoholic beverages and ice cream at moderate prices and has a wonder-



Photo courtesy of Heartland View
Rock-lined streams showcase examples of flora at the Botanical Gardens in Des Moines. The center is open throughout the year, unless inclement weather closes the garden.

ful view of the dome. Special menus for groups are available upon request.

Collectibles, horticultural books, birdhouses and garden tools can also be purchased at the Garden Gate Gift Shop.

Guided tours are available for groups of 10 or more by reservation on weekdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. You must give at least seven days advance notice.

"We usually give tours to approximately 10,000-12,000 students a year," educational curator Susan Ferguson said.

There is not an additional charge for these tours besides the Botanical Center's regular admission fee of \$1.50 for adults, \$.75 for senior citizens, \$.50 for children ages 6 to 17 and free admission for children 6 and under.

A variety of horticulturally oriented courses and workshops are offered for adults and children for a small fee on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, or Saturday mornings.

Some of the classes offered in November and December are Rose Gardening, Fall Pruning Workshops, Fall Flower Arranging and Holiday Wreaths and Bows. For more information call Ferguson at (515) 242-2934.

The Botanical Center provides a beautiful background for business meetings, parties, seminars and weddings throughout the year in several of its different rooms.

"Anything you want to have in a beautiful place, you can have here," Ferguson said.

Individual and family memberships are available for \$20 and \$30. There are several benefits to having a membership, such as free admission to the Botanical Center and participating centers around the world and discounts on all Garden Gate Gift Shop purchases.

The Des Moines Botanical Center is open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Thursday, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

The only times the center is closed is during inclement weather and holidays.

InReview

Sunset Grill in St. Joseph touts unique atmosphere

by Adam Buckley
Missourian Staff

Nestled along the Missouri River is a hidden jewel called the Sunset Grill restaurant, but don't let the scenic drive to get there fool you.

After driving about two miles through pure country, one would expect to find some little family restaurant that serves old-fashioned hamburgers and mashed potatoes and gravy. Instead, one finds upscale ambience and high-quality food, with a view unique of St. Joseph.

The manager of the Sunset Grill, Jari Kosola, took over the restaurant on Feb. 15. The transitions have been fairly smooth, with only some minor changes to the restaurant.

Kosola has had experience in managing water-front properties in other cities, so he knew what he was doing when he took over. He was in charge of a restaurant in Mankato, Minn., for five years before he came here.

"I saw this restaurant as having great potential, even though the restaurant was going through some hard times," Kosola said. "I was asked to come in and turn the restaurant around."

Which is exactly what he did. Before Kosola came in, the restaurant was more upscale.

Now, the ambience is a more casual upscale—a good place to come and relax in a quality atmosphere, without the stuffiness of a fancy restaurant.

This lack of formality allows the Sunset Grill to have a varied customer base.

The college crowd comes out on Sunday nights when a disk jockey is featured, or on special occasions.

People drive from Nebraska and Kansas City to check out what the restaurant is like. The residents of St. Joseph are good customers, too.

"Primarily, we have a small customer base of local residents," Kosola said. "They are very loyal, and will come out at least once a week."

One reason they come so often is for the quality food offered. One item that is very popular is the catfish.

"If we opened up this restaurant and served only catfish, we would still make it," Kosola said.

The prime rib is another speciality, served with a quality au jus. Many items on the menu are traditional selections with a fun twist.

One of these is the serving of prawns wrapped in bacon and put over a mesquite broiler.

Kosola added a new twist to the food at many restaurants he's worked in. More elegant restaurants, like Sunset Grill, allow him to improve his creative skills with the food.

"My signature dishes are going to be primarily the Italian specialties, with a strong emphasis on the fresh seafood we have," Kosola said. "Of course, what you like to eat the most is what you cook the most."

A few changes for the winter will occur at the restaurant to improve customer turnout. The outside deck that offers dining with a spectacular view of the Missouri River will become more winterized. Glass panels will be installed, and a fireplace will be added in the center of the deck to keep things warm.

In the spring, the glass will be removed and replaced with screens. "I can't think of a better spot to come in the winter for great food and a great view," Kosola said.

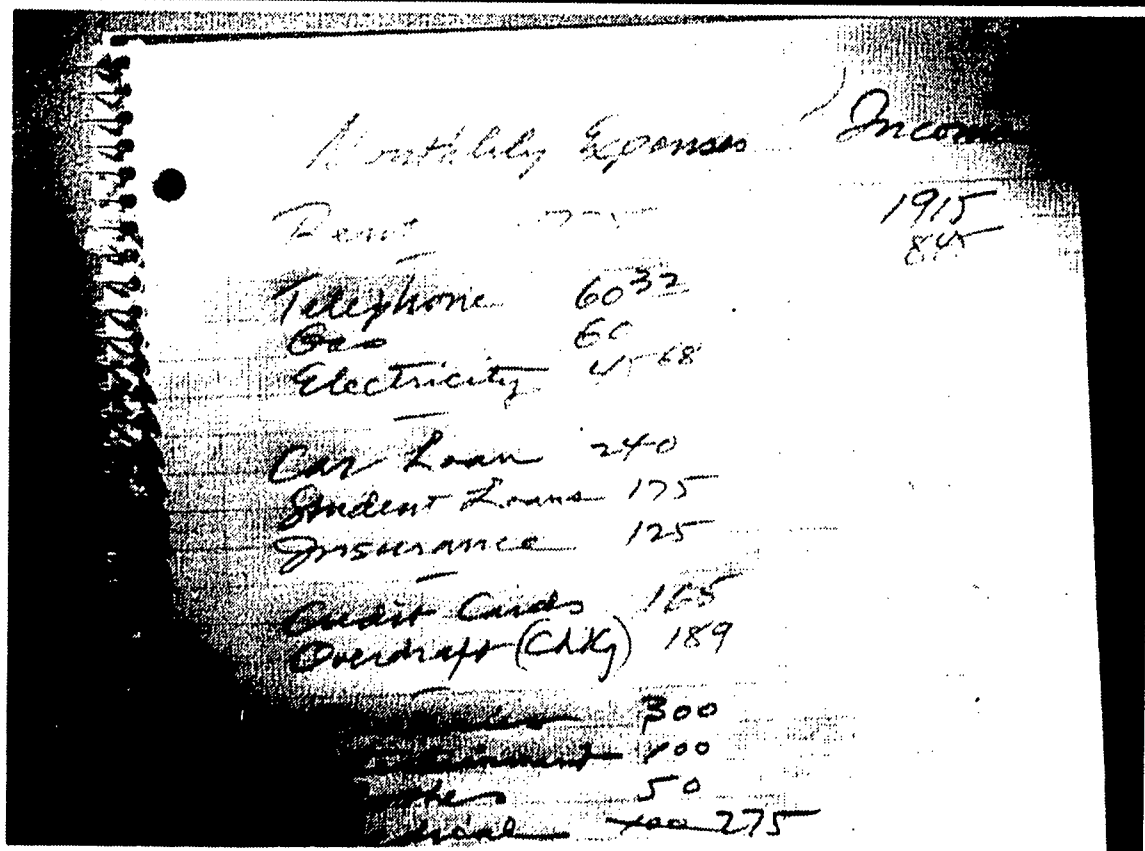
On Sunday nights, the restaurant has a disk jockey that comes in to offer entertainment, and the lounge area is very good for socializing. Sunset Grill is located about two miles off highway 229 and the signs clearly mark the way.

If you have any questions, or would like to make a reservation for dinner, call (816) 364-6500. The restaurant is open 11 a.m.-8 p.m. Monday through Friday; 11 a.m.-10 p.m. Friday and Saturday; and 11 a.m.-9 p.m. on Sunday.

The rating system

A - A dining experience. The food tasted like quality and you get the most bang for your buck.
B - Better than your average restaurant with quality dishes and service.
C - Could have done worse; could have done better. Improvement over fast food, but not much.
D - Definitely low quality. Sit-down meal, but you get paper napkins and the slow service.
F - Forget it! If we do the review, it's so you can avoid the restaurant.

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The Stroller

Your Man faces vacation blues



The Stroller

Yours Truly battles The Phantom and fights vacation policy

After last week's column, I'm sure all of my fans (both of them) are wondering how I escaped from the deadly deathtrap of the Phantom. So without further ado, let's go back in time and find the solution.

As you recall, Your Man was trapped in a bathroom stall unable to move. All my super weapons were absolutely useless. Fortunately, I was able to grab my keys and cut through the toilet paper. I had escaped from the vile clutches of The Phantom once again.

However, I soon realized how narrow my escape was, so I would try again to find a trusty sidekick. Knowing that "Jackie" was out of the picture, I decided to try my luck elsewhere, but a strange twist of fate would soon make a sidekick unnecessary.

As I was walking to the deli one night to enjoy a lovely Mexican dinner, I saw a strange figure walking outside the Student Recreation Center. Curious, I began to approach this gentleman and instantly recognized him as The Phantom.

I was able to take a good look at his face (instead of something else) and for the first time, I realized where I had seen him before. He was an official from the Pittsburg State game.

Your Man became enraged when he discovered The Phantom's true identity. The man poops in the shower and then he gives us another load of crap on Saturday. Was there no stopping this man?

Enraged, I jumped out of the bushes and instantly attacked The Phantom. We had an even fight for a while, but my knowledge of the campus worked in my favor.

As we continued to trade blows, I managed to walk him over to a steam pipe. Knowing to hold my breath after my many years on this campus, I pushed The Phantom into the steam, and he was overcome by the fumes.

I then pushed him into Colden Pond, knowing no one could escape from the oozy muck. As The Phantom emerged from the water looking like the creature from the Black Lagoon, he was weighed down so heavily that I easily took him to the proper authorities.

Because Campus Safety was so pleased with my valiant efforts, I was able to take some time off. I was glad for the opportu-

nity because it allows me to attack another problem that has bothered me for years. Mainly, it is the fact that we have to go to classes for two stupid days before Thanksgiving vacation.

When I do go home for Thanksgiving, my friends have already been home for four glorious days. Then they start sarcastically saying how their school is better than Northwest because they have longer vacations.

In order to defend our University's honor, I think it would make more sense to let us out on Friday, even though it would give us (gasp!) a whole week away from school. Many teachers even cancel classes as a type of protest. Very little gets done in those two days, and nobody wants to be here anyway.

The only reason I have fought for this cause is because Northwest has mimicked the way Missouri Western schedules its Thanksgiving vacation. This is something Your Man can't understand. When it comes to sports, we hear all this rhetoric about how Missouri Western is our enemy and how inferior they are.

However, it appears they are actually more superior than we are because they are capable of making a decision on their own without seeing what all the other colleges in the conference do on the same matter. Northwest, on the other hand, must model itself after other colleges.

For Your Man, this year's "vacation" will mean little more than the fact that I won't be here. At last check, I will have a project and a paper for one class, a 5-6 page paper for a second class and the possibility of a third paper for another class.

Hopefully, I will be able to sit through at least one football game, but all of the work is worth it just to know that my professors will be working just as hard as I will be over this unjustly short Thanksgiving vacation.

At any rate, Your Man does not think any complaining on his part will change anything. Perhaps it would be better to call Missouri Western to ask them to change their policy. Does anyone have their number?

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Weekly Crossword

ACROSS

1 Neck napkins
5 Unhappy
8 "— old cowhand..."
12 Suit to —
13 Fruit drinks
15 Egypt's river
16 Rent again

DOWN

18 Mona —
19 Move smoothly
20 Errs
23 Motored
24 — Diego
25 Bog
29 Giggly sounds
33 Came up
34 On the briny

ACROSS

35 Statute
36 Disencumbers
37 Less in numbers
39 Excavation
40 Foot appendage
41 Burrowing mammal

DOWN

42 Davis or Middler
43 Noisy sleepers
45 Most recent
46 Exist
47 Above
49 Succeeds
55 Caron film
56 Comparison word

DOWN

57 Make very happy
59 — even keel
60 Kind
61 Man on a pedestal
62 Trill
63 Legal matter
64 Armored vehicle

DOWN

1 Legally stop
2 Small piece of news
3 Lugosi of films
4 Search
5 Side dish
6 — a dozen
7 Arnaz of television
8 Babe
9 Cow's product
10 Medicinal plant

Answers to last week's puzzle

PIPE DAMP RAPID
AVON ELIA ELITE
RANO COST TALON
ENDURANCE ARENT
LUNE SLIM
BUFFET UNSEAT
OTIS HASTE MAR
RIB SHELTER ORE
ICE CONEY STOA
SARAH'S PATENT
TOES MENU
ERATO CREDITORS
PUPIL RARA TRUE
ISERE ANIL EDIT
CEDED PITS RONS

11 Fresh
14 More impudent
17 Effectively concise
21 Distress signal at sea
22 British farewell
25 Trading centers
26 Sky hunter
27 Western show
28 Fool
29 Mao — tung
30 Upper crust
31 Carries on
32 Sugary
34 Wonder
37 Wooded areas
38 City railways
39 Encountered
41 Only
42 Wilkes —, PA
44 Gardener's chore
45 Part of a journey
47 Chicago's airport
48 Ails
49 Kind of skirt
50 Ladd or Alda
51 Thunder god
52 Landed
53 Artistic movement
54 British school
55 — Angeles, CA
58 Antlered animal



Weekly Events



Kansas City

Nov. 21 - Melissa Etheridge, Municipal Auditorium. Concert begins at 7:30 p.m. Tickets cost \$35.

Nov. 21 - Newsboys with Geoff Moore and the Distance and Plankeye, Memorial Hall. Concert begins at 7:30 p.m. Tickets cost \$16.50.

Nov. 22 - Rudy Rotta Band, Grand Emporium, 3832 Main. Begins at 9:30 p.m. Tickets cost \$5. Must be 21 with ID.

Nov. 26 - Roomful of Blues, Grand Emporium, 3832 Main. Must be 21 with ID. (531-1504)

Nov. 27 - They Might Be Giants, Memorial Hall. Concert begins at 7:30 p.m. Tickets cost \$15.

Nov. 29 - Rusted Root, Memorial Hall. Concert begins at 8 p.m. Tickets cost \$17.50.

Nov. 30 - Pantera, Memorial Hall.

Concert begins at 7:30 p.m. Tickets cost \$20 in advance and \$22.50 the day of the show. (931-3330)

Des Moines

Nov. 21 - Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat, Des Moines Civic Center. Show begins at 8 p.m. Tickets cost \$18-\$38.

Nov. 27 - Walt Disney World On Ice, Veterans Auditorium. Show begins at 7 p.m. Tickets cost \$5 - \$15.

Nov. 29 - Mannheim Steamroller, Civic Center. Show begins at 8 p.m.

December 3 - Quartetto Gelato, Des Moines Civic Center. Concert begins at 7:30 p.m. Tickets cost \$24.

Dec. 6 - Des Moines Symphony Snowflake, Des Moines Civic Center. Concert begins at 7 p.m. Tickets cost \$6 - \$16.

Omaha

Nov. 22 - Jars of Clay, Civic

Auditorium Arena. Begins at 7:30 p.m. Tickets cost \$16.75.

Nov. 24 - Descendants, Ranch Bowl. Concert begins at 8 p.m. Tickets cost \$8.

Nov. 25 - Dishwala, Ranch Bowl. Concert begins at 9 p.m. Tickets cost \$12.50.

Nov. 27 - Walt Disney World On Ice, Veterans Auditorium. Begins at 7 p.m. Tickets cost \$5.50 - \$15.

Dec. 1 - Dave Matthews Band, Omaha Civic Auditorium. Show begins at 7:30 p.m. Tickets cost \$22.50.

Dec. 2 - Mojo Nixon, Ranch Bowl. 21 and over show. Concert begins at 9 p.m. Tickets cost \$7.75.

St. Joseph/Maryville

Nov. 21 - Alternative band "Clutter," Leaded Bean. Begins at 8 p.m. Tickets cost \$2 at the door.

Nov. 30 - Sawyer Brown, St. Joseph Civic Arena. Begins at 8 p.m. Tickets cost \$17.50 - \$20.50.

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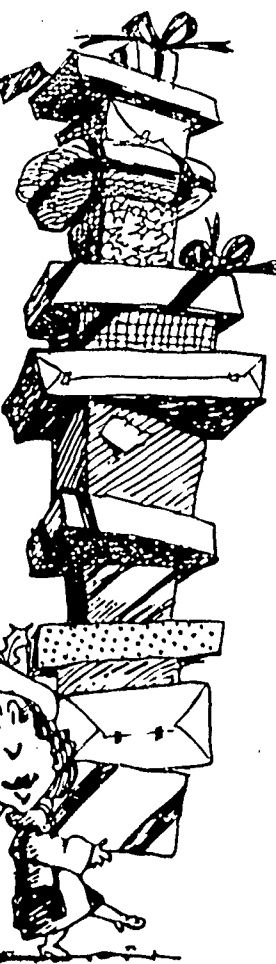
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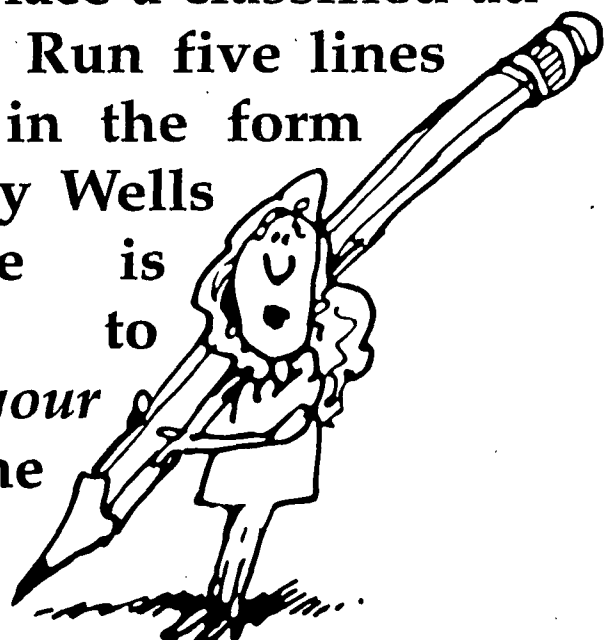
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